



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (DENTAL BENEFITS) REGULATIONS  
1983, AMENDMENT NO. 2**

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DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

**ORDER IN COUNCIL**

At the Government House at Wellington this 3rd day of September  
1985

Present:

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL**

PURSUANT to the Social Security Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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**REGULATIONS**

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) Except as provided in subclause (3) of this regulation, these regulations shall come into force on the 14th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

(3) Regulation 4 of these regulations shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April 1985, and shall apply in respect of dental benefits provided on or after that date. In respect of dental benefits provided before that date the principal regulations shall continue to apply as if these regulations had not been made.

**2. Interpretation**—Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the term “Principal Dental Officer”, and substituting the following definition:

“ ‘Principal Dental Officer’ means—

“(a) An officer of the Department appointed under the Health Act 1956 as the Principal Dental Officer of a dental district:

“(b) In respect of an area health district, a Principal Dental Officer appointed under regulation 2A of these regulations:”.

**3. Appointment of Principal Dental Officer by area health boards**—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 2, the following regulation:

“2A. Every area health board shall appoint a Principal Dental Officer for its area health district.”

**4. Increasing dental benefits**—(1) The Schedule to the principal regulations (as substituted by regulation 2 of the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983, Amendment No. 1) shall be read as if each fee set out in it was increased by 7.55 percent.

(2) Where a claim for fees under the principal regulations is made in respect of a combination of dental services, whether a combination of quantity or types or both, the total amount payable shall be calculated by taking the sum of the relevant fees set out in the said Schedule (as so substituted) and increasing the amount so arrived at by 7.55 percent.

P. G. MILLEN,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

Regulations 2 and 3 of these regulations provide for the appointment of Principal Dental Officers by area health boards.

Regulation 4 of these regulations increases, by 7.55 percent, the fees payable to contracting dentists and contracting authorities for dental benefits provided on and after 1 April 1985.

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