

2020 No. (WG20.16)

**THE NATIONAL HEALTH
SERVICE (WALES) ACT 2006**

**The Wales Infected Blood Support
Scheme (Amendment) Directions
2020**

Made

Coming into force

1 April 2020

The Welsh Ministers give the following Directions in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 19(1), 203(9) and (10) and 204(1) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006⁽¹⁾.

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Directions is the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2020.

(2) These Directions come into force on 1 April 2020.

(3) These Directions are given to Velindre University NHS Trust⁽²⁾.

Amendments to the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (No. 2) Directions 2017

2.—(1) The Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (No. 2) Directions 2017⁽³⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1—

(1) 2006 c. 42.

(2) Velindre University NHS Trust was established by Velindre National Health Service Trust (Establishment) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/2838), amended by S.I. 2017/912 (W. 223) and S.I. 2018/887 (W. 176); there are other amending instruments but none is relevant to these Directions.

(3) Amended by the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2018 and the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2019.

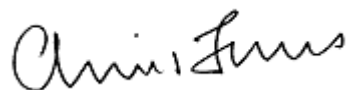
- (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£4,705” substitute “£4,790”;
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£18,833” substitute “£19,172”.
- (3) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 2, for “£18,833” substitute “£19,172”.
- (4) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 3, for “£18,833” substitute “£19,172”.
- (5) In Schedule 4—
- (a) for paragraph 1 substitute—

“1. The following payments may be made to Qualifying Persons with Hepatitis C- Stage I and HIV in each financial year—

 - (a) a payment of £23,317, or
 - (b) where the requirements set out in paragraph 5 are complied with, an enhanced payment of £37,826.”;
 - (b) in paragraph 2, for “£37,157” substitute “£37,826”;
 - (c) after paragraph 4 insert—

“5. The requirements are that the Qualifying Person has—

 - (a) applied to receive the enhanced payment in respect of Hepatitis C- Stage I, and
 - (b) confirmed that—
 - (i) they are suffering from mental health symptoms which they consider to be related to their being infected with hepatitis C as a result of receiving infected blood or blood products during the course of treatment provided by the health service in Wales, and
 - (ii) the mental health symptoms that they are experiencing have an effect on their ability to carry out day to day activities.”



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