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NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, WALES

The Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2022

Made

18 March 2022

Coming into force in accordance with paragraph 1(2) and (3)

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 2022.
- (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), these Directions come into force on 18 March 2022.
- (3) Paragraphs 5 and 6 come into force on 1 April 2022.
- (4) These Directions are given to Velindre University NHS Trust(2).

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

- **2.** The Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (No. 2) Directions 2017(**3**) are amended as follows.
- (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, the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2019, the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions

Amendment to paragraph 2 (interpretation)

3. In paragraph 2 (interpretation) in the appropriate place insert—

"Winter Fuel Payment" ("Taliad Tanwydd Gaeaf") means the payment that may be made to Qualifying Persons in each financial year under paragraph 4 of Schedule 1, paragraph 4 of Schedule 2, paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 or paragraph 4B of Schedule 4."

Annual Bereavement Payments

- **4.** In paragraph 5 (bereaved spouses and partners)—
 - (a) after sub-paragraph (2)(a) omit "and";
 - (b) after sub-paragraph (2)(b) for "," substitute "; and
 - (c) an annual payment equal to that Qualifying Person's Winter Fuel Payment in each year following the year of death,".

Amendments to annual payments for the financial year 2022 - 2023

- **5.**—(1) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis C Stage I)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£18,912" substitute "£19,498";
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£28,680" substitute "£29,569".
- (2) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis C Stage II), for "£28,680" substitute "£29,569".
- (3) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 (Qualifying Persons with HIV), for "£28,680" substitute "£29,569".
- (4) In Schedule 4 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis C and HIV)—
 - (a) in paragraph 1—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£38,928" substitute "£40.135":
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£45,072" substitute "£46,469";
 - (b) in paragraph 2, for "£45,072" substitute "£46,469".

2020, the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) Directions 2021 and the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2021.

Amendments to winter fuel payments for the financial year 2022 - 2023

- **6.**—(1) In paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis C Stage I), for "£544" substitute "£561".
- (2) In paragraph 4 of Schedule 2 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis $C-Stage\ II$), for "£544" substitute "£561".
- (3) In paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 (Qualifying Persons with HIV), for "£544" substitute "£561".
- (4) In paragraph 4B of Schedule 4 (Qualifying Persons with hepatitis C and HIV), for "£544" substitute "£561".

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