

## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT 2006

### **The General Ophthalmic Services Contracts (Payments) (No 2)**

#### **Directions 2008**

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of powers conferred by section 120 of the National Health Service Act 2006<sup>(a)</sup>, having consulted bodies appearing to him to be representative of persons to whose remuneration they relate, gives the following Directions:

#### **Application, citation and commencement**

1. These Directions are given to PCTs in England, may be cited as the GOS Contracts (Payments) (No 2) Directions 2008, and shall have effect from 1st August 2008.

#### **Interpretation**

2. In these Directions-

“PCT” means a Primary Care Trust;

“the Regulations” means the General Ophthalmic Services Contracts Regulations 2008<sup>(b)</sup>,

and terms used in these Directions and in the Regulations have the same meaning in these Directions as they do in the Regulations.

#### **Payments to be made**

3. The payments which a PCT is to make to a contractor pursuant to section 120 of the National Health Service Act 2006 and regulation 15 of the Regulations is set out in the following provisions of these Directions.

#### **Fees for sight tests provided under a contract**

4. –(1) Where a contractor has—
  - (a) provided a sight test to an eligible person under a contract for mandatory services; and
  - (b) made a claim for a fee for that sight test in accordance with paragraphs (5) to (7) of regulation 16 of the Regulations,

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<sup>(a)</sup> 2006 c.41.

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the fee payable by the PCT to the contractor for each such sight test is £19.32.

(2) Where a contractor has—

- (a) provided a sight test to an eligible person under a contract for additional services; and
- (b) made a claim for a fee for that sight test in accordance with paragraphs (5) to (7) of regulation 16 of the Regulations,

the fee payable by the PCT to the contractor for such a sight test is £19.32 plus—

- (i) £34.02 for each of the first and second sight test provided to eligible persons during the course of any one visit; and
- (ii) £8.52 for the third and for each subsequent sight test provided during that visit.

### **Revocation of the GOS Contracts (Payments) Directions 2008**

The GOS Contracts (Payments) Directions 2008 are hereby revoked.

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