

Dear Colleague

**AMENDMENT NO 143 TO THE STATEMENT OF
DENTAL REMUNERATION:**

- **DUPLICATE STUDY CASTS**
- **PRACTICE ALLOWANCE AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF PRACTICE RENTAL
COSTS - DESIGNATED AREAS**

Summary

1. The Memorandum to this letter clarifies the circumstances where a fee for the provision of duplicate study casts will no longer be payable and advises of an error in the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2020)4.

Action

2. NHS Boards and Practitioner Services are asked to note the information contained in the Memorandum to this letter.

3. NHS Boards are asked to issue the Memorandum to this letter to all dentists and DBCs on their dental lists.

Yours sincerely,

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**DENTISTS/DENTAL BODIES CORPORATE
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Duplicate Study Casts

2. Paragraph 3 of the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2020)4 advised that from 1 March 2020 it will no longer be possible to claim a fee under item 2(b) for the production of duplicate study casts where a digital image has been taken. It also advised of a new proviso 4 being added to item 2 to provide for this. However, this new proviso did not make it clear that it is only digital equivalent of “duplicate” study casts that would no longer attract a fee. The new proviso 4 to Item 2 is therefore being amended to clarify this position, as follows:

no fee under item 2(b) shall be payable for a digital equivalent of a duplicate study cast.

Error in the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2020)5

3. Paragraph 9 of the Memorandum to NHS: PCA(D)(2020)5 advised of an amendment to the definitions of “designated area” in paragraph 1(1) (interpretation) in Determinations XIV (Practice Allowances) and XV (Reimbursement of Practice Expenses). There was an error in the designated areas quoted and the correct designated areas are:

within Ayrshire and Arran Health Board area, Dalmellington and Patna, within Highland Health Board area, Lochgilphead and within Shetland Health Board area, Lerwick.

Enquiries

4. Any enquiries arising from this Memorandum should be taken up with your NHS Board.

Scottish Government Population Health Directorate
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