

Dear Colleague

AMENDMENT NO. 153 TO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

Pay Award for General Dental Practitioners (GDPs)

Summary

1. This letter advises NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of the publication of Amendment No. 153 to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), which takes effect from 1 December 2021.
2. From 1 December 2021 the revised Determination I to the SDR will come into effect with a 3% increase in the fee scale for all courses of treatment started on or after 1 December 2021.
3. The fee increase will be backdated for courses of treatment started on or after 1 April 2021 but before 1 December 2021, and for any capitation and continuing care payments made for that period.
4. As NHS dental contractors are continuing to receive emergency support payments the Scottish Government will also apply a 3% increase based on the value of financial support payments, which will be backdated to 1 April 2021.

27 October 2021

Addresses

For action

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5. The salary payable for vocational trainees under Determination IV will also increase to £2810.69 per month (£33,728 per annum).

Actions for NHS Boards

6. NHS Boards should ensure that:

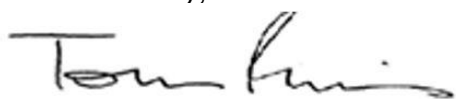
- they urgently issue the Memorandum to this letter to all dentists and dental bodies corporate on their dental lists;
- they ensure Hospital Dental Services staff are aware of the new fee scale, which they require to calculate the proper patient charge element for certain dental appliances provided outwith general dental services.

Actions for Practitioner Services

7. Practitioner Services should ensure that:

- the revised fee scale is paid for all course of treatment started on or after 1 December 2021;
- the 3% supplement is paid for all courses of treatment started on or after 1 April 2021 but before 1 December 2021 and for any capitation and continuing care payments made in that period;
- a pay award of 3% is paid based on 100% of the value of the financial support payments, backdated to 1 April 2021 for eligible dentists;
- the pay award is applied from the December 2021 paid January 2022 payment schedule;
- all backdated payments are made in the January 2022 paid February 2022 payment schedule.

Yours sincerely,



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**DENTISTS/DENTAL BODIES CORPORATE
NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE
GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES**

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Summary

1. This Memorandum advises of the publication of Amendment No. 153 to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), which takes effect from 1 December 2021.

2. Amendment No. 153 to the SDR can be viewed at: <https://www.scottishdental.org/>.

Pay Award for General Dental Practitioners (GDPs) – December 2021

3. Following the publication of the Doctors' and Dentists' Review Body (DDRB) report for 2021/22, the Scottish Government has accepted the pay increase recommendation of 3% for GDPs. As in previous years, the increase will apply to gross item of services fees, and capitation and continuing care payments.

4. As NHS dental contractors are continuing to receive emergency support payments the Scottish Government will also apply a 3% increase to the value of the financial support payments. The 3 per cent increase will be calculated based on the uprated 100% value of the financial support payment in the November paid December 2021 schedules. This will be paid through line 7 of the Schedule.

5. For example, if a dental contractor receives a financial support payment of £5,000 in the November paid December 2021 schedule, then their pay award will be based on the following calculation:

- 100% of the value of the current support payment: $£5,000 / 85 * 100 = £5,882.35$
- 100% value of the support payment + 3% increase: $£5,882.35 + 3\% = £6,058.82$
- Pay award payment for each eligible month is: $£6,058.82 - £5,882.35 = £176.47$

6. The pay award will be included in the December 2021 paid January 2022 schedule.

7. Backdated payments will be made in the January 2022 paid February 2022 schedule.

Determination IV (Vocational Training Allowances)

8. The salary payable for vocational trainees under Determination IV will increase to £2810.69 per month (£33,728 per annum) with effect from 1 April 2021.

Enquiries

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

Primary Care Directorate
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