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

**Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of
Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 5) Directions 2025**

Made

6 August 2025

Coming into force

7 August 2025

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 45, 203(9) and (10) and 204(1) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006^(a) and after consulting in accordance with sections 45(3)(e) and 45(4) of that Act with the bodies appearing to them to be representative of persons to whose remuneration these Directions relate, give the following Directions. These Directions have retrospective effect and comply with the requirements of section 45(3)(e) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006.

Title, application and coming into force

1.—(1) The title of these Directions is the Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 5) Directions 2025.

(2) These Directions are given to Local Health Boards. They relate to the payments to be made by Local Health Boards to a GMS contractor under a GMS contract.

(3) These Directions are made on 6 August 2025 and come into force on 7 August 2025.

(4) These Directions have effect from 1 August 2025.

Amendment to the Statement of Financial Entitlements

2. The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements Directions 2013^(b) which came into force on 11 June 2013, as amended by Directions listed in Annex J at Schedule 2 to these Directions, are further amended as follows.

Amendment to the Table of Contents

3. In the TABLE OF CONTENTS at PART 10, for “**10. SHINGLES IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME IMMUNOCOMPROMISED**” substitute “**10. SHINGLES IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME FOR SEVERELY IMMUNOSUPRESSED INDIVIDUALS**”.

^(a) 2006 c. 42.
^(b) 2013 No. 8.

Amendment of Part 10

4. For the heading “**10. SHINGLES IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME IMMUNOCOMPROMISED**” substitute “**10. SHINGLES IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME FOR SEVERELY IMMUNOSUPPRESSED INDIVIDUALS**”.

5. For paragraphs 10.1 to 10.7 substitute—

“General

10.1. Section 10 makes provision in respect of payments to be made in respect of the administration by a contractor to provide the Shingrix® vaccines as part of the Shingles Immunisation Programme to immunosuppressed individuals as defined by the Greenbook chapter 28a, aged 18 years and over (with no upper age limit), including those anticipating immunosuppressive therapy. Further details on the Shingles Immunisation Programmes can be found in WHC (2023) 024 and WHC (2025) 028.

Administration of the Shingrix® vaccine

10.2. Contractors must offer two doses of Shingrix® vaccine to immunosuppressed eligible patients aged 18 years and over, including those anticipating immunosuppressive therapy, beginning with 1 August 2025.

10.3. The second dose should be administered eight weeks to 6 months after the first dose.

10.4. From 1 August 2025 immunosuppressed individuals who turn 18 years of age should be offered vaccination within 12 weeks of reaching their invitation age.

10.5. Contractors must also opportunistically vaccinate those individuals aged 18 years or over beginning with 1 August 2025 who missed their original appointment.

10.6. Newly diagnosed unvaccinated immunosuppressed individuals already aged 18 years or over should be vaccinated within 12 weeks of immunosuppressed diagnosis.”

6. In paragraph 10.8—

- (a) for “50” substitute “18”, and
- (b) for “1 September 2023” substitute “1 August 2025”.

7. In paragraph 10.9(iii) for “10.7” Substitute “10.6”.

Amendment of Annex J

8. For “**ANNEX J – AMENDMENTS**” substitute Annex J - Amendments in the Schedule to these Directions.



Signed by Paul Casey, Deputy Director of Primary Care under the authority of the Minister for Health and Social Services, one of the Welsh Ministers

Date: 6 August 2025

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“ANNEX J – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Directions to the Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements Directions 2013, which came into force on 11 June 2013

- (a) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2013 (2013 No.60), which were made on 30 September 2013;
- (b) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2014 (2014 No.3), which were made on 16 June 2014;
- (c) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2014 (2014 No.17), which were made on 27 June 2014;
- (d) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2014 (2014 No.24), which were made on 30 September 2014;
- (e) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2015 (2015 No.7), which were made on 31 March 2015;
- (f) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment No 2) Directions 2015 (2015 No.14), which were made on 01 April 2015;
- (g) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment No 3) Directions 2015 (2015 No.15), which were made on 20 April 2015;
- (h) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment No 4) Directions 2015 (2015 No.19), which were made on 25 June 2015;
- (i) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.5) Directions 2015, which were made on 30 September 2015;
- (j) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2016, which were made on 30 March 2016;
- (k) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2016, which were made on 11 April 2016;
- (l) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2016, which were made on 13 July 2016;
- (m) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 4) Directions 2016 (2016 No.19), which were made on 16 August 2016;
- (n) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.5) Directions 2016 which were made on 15 December 2016;
- (o) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 6) Directions 2017 which were made on 31 January 2017;
- (p) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 which were made on 27 April 2017;
- (q) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.2) Directions 2017 which were made on 9 August 2017;
- (r) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2017 which were made on the 28 September 2017;

- (s) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2018 which were made on the 14 June 2018;
- (t) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2018 which were made on 19 November 2018;
- (u) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2019 which were made on 29 March 2019;
- (v) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2019 which were made on 28 June 2019;
- (w) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2019 which were made on 29 August 2019;
- (x) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 4) Directions 2019 which were made on 30 September 2019;
- (y) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 5) Directions 2019 which were made on 14 October 2019;
- (z) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2020 which were made on 24 March 2020;
- (aa) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2020 which were made on 22 June 2020;
- (bb) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2020 which were made on 15 July 2020;
- (cc) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 4) Directions 2020 which were made on 16 September 2020;
- (dd) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 5) Directions 2020 which were made on 2 November 2020;
- (ee) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2021 which were made on 19 April 2021;
- (ff) The Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2021 which were made on 31 August 2021;
- (gg) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2021 which were made on 1 December 2021;
- (hh) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2022 which were made on 29 March 2022;
- (ii) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2022 which were made on 8 June 2022;
- (jj) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2022 which were made on 4 November 2022;
- (kk) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2023 which were made on 29 November 2023;
- (ll) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2023 which were made on 20 February 2023;
- (mm) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2023 which were made on 29 March 2023;
- (nn) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions 2023 which were made on 3 August 2023;
- (oo) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2024 which were made on 8 February 2024;
- (pp) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions 2024 which were made on 18 April 2024;

- (qq) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2024 which were made on 10 October 2024;
- (rr) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No. 4) Directions 2024 which were made on 26 November 2024;
- (ss) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2025 which were made on 6 February 2025;
- (tt) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.2) Directions 2025 which were made on 22 April 2025;
- (uu) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2025 which were made on 6 June 2025; and
- (vv) Directions to Local Health Boards as to the Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.4) Directions 2025 which were made on 22 July 2025.”