



National Health Service in Scotland
Management Executive

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Dear Colleague

INCREASE IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACT CHARGES

Summary

1. This letter announces, with effect from 17 April 1995, increases in the maximum charges payable by insurance companies under Section 157 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 in respect of in-patient and out-patient hospital treatment following road traffic accidents. The fee which may be claimed by GPs and hospitals from vehicle users under section 158 of the 1988 Act in respect of emergency treatment is also being increased.

Action

2. Health Boards and NHS Trusts should make arrangements for the implementation of the Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) Order 1995 which comes into effect from 17 April 1995. This will include increasing the maximum charges for:-

- persons treated as in-patients from £2,856 to £2,949
- persons treated as out-patients from £286 to £295
- the fee which may be claimed by GPs and hospitals from a vehicle user from £20.65 to £21.30 for each person treated

3. The sum which may be claimed by the GP from the vehicle user for any distance travelled in excess of 2 miles is increased from 40p to 41p for each mile or part of a mile.

4. This letter should be copied to GPs. It should also be drawn to the attention of those hospital staff who normally deal with such matters.

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NHS MEL(1993)13 is cancelled

Addressees

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5. A small supply of the Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) Order 1995 will be sent to Health Boards and NHS Trusts when they become available.

Yours sincerely



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