



STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

S.I. No. 635 of 2016



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I, SIMON HARRIS, Minister for Health, being of the opinion that not to charge the amount referred to in subsection (1A) (inserted by section 1(a) of the Health (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2010 (No. 20 of 2010)) of section 59 of the Health Act 1970 (No. 1 of 1970) to persons of the class specified in Regulation 2 is just and equitable, having formed such opinion in accordance with paragraph (c) (and, in particular, subparagraph (v) of that paragraph) of subsection (4) (amended by section 1(c) of the Health (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2010) of the said section 59, and in exercise of the powers conferred on me by subsection (4)(a)(ii) of that section and the Finance (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2011 (S.I. No. 418 of 2011), and with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Act 1970 (Section 59(4)) Regulations 2016.

2. Persons living in emergency reception and orientation centres, provided under the Irish Refugee Protection Programme administered by the Department of Justice and Equality, and known as refugees, are specified as a class of persons who shall not be charged the amount referred to in subsection (1A) (inserted by section 1(a) of the Health (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2010 (No. 20 of 2010)) of section 59 of the Health Act 1970 (No. 1 of 1970) in respect of all items supplied to persons of that class, for the period during which they are living in such centres.

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in
"Iris Oifigiúil" of 3rd January, 2017.*

The Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Regulations.



GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform,
16 December 2016.

PASCHAL DONOHOE,
Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,
20 December 2016.

SIMON HARRIS,
Minister for Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations provide that refugees living in emergency reception and orientation centres, under the Irish Refugee Protection Programme, shall be exempt from the application of the prescription charge payable by persons with full eligibility.

These Regulations may be cited as the Health Act 1970 (Section 59(4)) Regulations 2016.

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