

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

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This Circular notifies agreements reached by the Nurses and Midwives Council relating to the following matters:—

**I.—Tuberculosis Nursing: Payment of the service allowance
at six-monthly intervals**

The Council has reviewed the position under the agreement contained in N.M.C. Circular No. 60, Section IV, and has agreed that the payment of the service allowance at six-monthly intervals to the grades concerned shall be continued for a further year as follows:—

(a) Full-time staff

- (i) Trained nurses (other than mental nurses) from 1st June, 1957 to 31st May, 1958, the position to be reviewed again before 30th November, 1958, when the last qualifying period for the £15 allowance will terminate.
- (ii) Nursing auxiliaries (other than those employed on Ancillary Staffs Council rates of pay and conditions of service) from 1st November, 1957 to 31st October, 1958, the position to be reviewed again before 30th April, 1959, when the last qualifying period for the payment of £15 will terminate.
- (iii) Trained nurses, in grades up to and including the grade of Assistant Matron/Assistant Chief Male Nurse, and nursing assistants in mental hospitals, from 1st November, 1957 to 31st October, 1958, the position to be reviewed again before 30th April, 1959, when the last six months qualifying period for the payment of the £5 allowance will terminate.

(b) Part-time Staff working more than 40 hours per week.

The allowances at the rates specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Section I of N.M.C. Circular No. 53 shall continue to operate for the periods agreed for full-time staff detailed in (a) above, and the position will be reviewed when that for full-time staff is reviewed.

Summary. The enclosed N.M.C. Circular No. 70 sets out agreements of the Nurses and Midwives Whitley Council relating to the extension for a further period of one year of the schemes under which payment of the Tuberculosis Nursing Service Allowance is made at six-monthly intervals and to the payment of the proficiency allowances to student mental nurses in England and Wales whose training is conducted under a revised syllabus.

1. Hospital authorities are asked to put the agreements in N.M.C. Circular No. 70 into effect.

2. The Minister of Health has approved the provisions of N.M.C. Circular No. 70 as approved remuneration and conditions of service under Regulation 3 of the National Health Service (Remuneration and Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1951—S.I. 1951 No. 1373.

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To: *Regional Hospital Boards,
Hospital Management Committees,
Boards of Governors.*

**II.—Student Mental Nurses: Proficiency Allowances
(England and Wales)**

The General Nursing Council for England and Wales has approved, for an experimental period of five years, revised syllabuses of subjects for examination for admission to the parts of the Register of Nurses for mental and mental deficiency nurses which may be adopted by training schools with the Council's approval as alternatives to the existing syllabuses. Under the revised syllabuses the preliminary examination is replaced by an intermediate examination. The Whitley Council has agreed that student mental nurses training under the revised syllabuses shall be entitled to the following proficiency allowances:—

(a) £40 on the passing of the intermediate examination.

(b) £50 on the passing of the final examination.

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