

Freedom of Information Request

Request:

Please provide documentation and the policy related to the circumstances where a pension could be terminated in the 1970s.

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A pension, once in payment, usually remains payable for life. Scheme regulations however make provision for the suspension or abatement of pension on return to NHS employment post retirement. Scheme regulations also make provision for offset for crime, negligence or fraud and loss of rights to benefits where a member is convicted of a serious offence. A full set of the current scheme regulations is available to view on NHS Pensions' website, the address for which is www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pensions. May I also mention The NHS (Superannuation) Regulations 1980 – Statutory Instrument 1980/362, a copy of which may be purchased through H M Stationery Office. These regulations consolidated and superseded the provisions of the NHS (Superannuation) Regulations 1961 and the NHS (Superannuation) amendment regulations brought into operation between 25 July 1961 and the operative date of the regulations. In general they reproduced the effect of the existing provisions but also contained a number of changes and minor improvements made to the scheme.