

Midwife Professional Indemnity Legislation Amendment Act 2011

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[Assented to 27 June 2011]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Midwife Professional Indemnity Legislation Amendment Act 2011*.

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2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day this Act receives the Royal Assent.

3 Schedule(s)

Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Midwife Professional Indemnity (Commonwealth Contribution) Scheme Act 2010

1 After subsection 11(3)

Insert:

- (3A) For the purposes of paragraph 11(3)(g), the Rules may specify one or more classes of practice that are taken not to be practice of a kind referred to in that paragraph and, without limiting the way in which a class may be specified, the class may be described by reference to the following:
 - (a) the ownership or control (however described) of a corporation of which one or more eligible midwives are employees;
 - (b) the true nature of the class of practice.
- (3B) To avoid doubt, Rules made for the purposes of subsection (3A) may be expressed to take effect from a date before the Rules are registered under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

2 At the end of section 31

Add:

- (6) For the purposes of paragraph (c) of the definition of *private* practice as a midwife in subsection (5), the Rules may specify one or more classes of practice that are taken not to be practice of a kind referred to in that paragraph and, without limiting the way in which a class may be specified, the class may be described by reference to the following:
 - (a) the ownership or control (however described) of a corporation of which one or more eligible midwives are employees;
 - (b) the true nature of the class of practice.
- (7) To avoid doubt, Rules made for the purposes of subsection (6) may be expressed to take effect from a date before the Rules are registered under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

Midwife Professional Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) Act 2010

3 Subsection 7(3) (formula)

Repeal the formula, substitute:

Net premium
$$\times \frac{\text{Applicable rate}}{1 + \text{Applicable rate}}$$

4 Application of amendment made by item 3

The amendment made by item 3 applies to each contribution year starting on or after 1 July 2010.

[Minister's second reading speech made in— House of Representatives on 3 March 2011 Senate on 11 May 2011]

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