

Health Insurance Amendment Regulations 2007 (No. 2)¹

Select Legislative Instrument 2007 No. 56

I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following Regulations under the *Health Insurance Act 1973*.

Dated 29 March 2007

P. M. JEFFERY Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

TONY ABBOTT
Minister for Health and Ageing

1 Name of Regulations

These Regulations are the *Health Insurance Amendment Regulations* 2007 (No. 2).

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence:

- (a) if they are registered before the *Private Health Insurance*Act 2007 commences on the commencement of that Act; or
- (b) if they are registered after that Act commences on the day after they are registered.

3 Amendment of Health Insurance Regulations 1975

Schedule 1 amends the Health Insurance Regulations 1975.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(regulation 3)

[1] Regulation 2, at the foot

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Note A number of expressions used in these Regulations are defined in the Act, including:

- hospital treatment
- hospital-substitute treatment
- private health insurer.

[2] Subregulation 13 (2)

substitute

- (2) For subsection 19 (6) of the Act, the following particulars are prescribed in relation to professional services rendered as part of an episode of hospital treatment:
 - (a) a description of the professional service and the item number of the item that relates to the professional service, followed by an asterisk; or
 - (b) a description of the professional service sufficient to identify the item that relates to the professional service, preceded by the word 'patient'.
- (2A) For subsection 19 (6) of the Act, if professional services are rendered as part of an episode of hospital-substitute treatment and the person who receives the treatment chooses to receive a benefit from a private health insurer, the following particulars are prescribed for those services:
 - (a) a description of the professional service and the item number of the item that relates to the professional service, followed by the words 'hospital-substitute treatment'; or
 - (b) a description of the professional service sufficient to identify the item that relates to the professional service, preceded by the words 'hospital-substitute treatment'.

[3] Paragraph 13 (10) (c)

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[4] Paragraph 13 (10) (d)

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paragraph (a), (b) or (c),
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paragraph (a) or (b),
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[5] Regulation 13A

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[6] Subregulation 19 (1A), definition of *hospital-related* service, paragraphs (a) and (b)

omit

or day hospital facility

Note

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