



**PB 137 of 2021**

**National Health (COVID-19 Supply of  
Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment  
(Additional Extension) Special Arrangement  
2021**

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I, Elizabeth Flynn, delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make the following special arrangement under subsection 100(2) of the *National Health Act 1953*.

Dated 17 December 2021

Elizabeth Flynn  
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Department of Health

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## 1 Name

- (1) This instrument is the *National Health (COVID-19 Supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment (Additional Extension) Special Arrangement 2021*.
- (2) This instrument may also be cited as PB 137 of 2021.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	On the day after this instrument is registered	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 100(2) of the *National Health Act 1953*.

## 4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

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## Schedule 1—Amendments

### *National Health (COVID-19 Supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits) Special Arrangement 2020*

#### 1 Section 4

Omit “1 January 2022”, substitute “1 April 2022”.

#### 2 Subsection 6(1) (definition of *phone attendance*)

Omit “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – COVID-19 Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2020*”, substitute “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2021*”.

#### 3 Subsection 6(1) (definition of *telehealth attendance*)

Omit “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – COVID-19 Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2020*”, substitute “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2021*”.

#### 4 Subsection 6(2)

Omit “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – COVID-19 Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2020*”, substitute “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2021*”.

#### 5 Paragraph 9(1)(c)

Omit “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – COVID-19 Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2020*”, substitute “*Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2021*”.

#### 6 After Section 17

Insert:

##### **17A Continued application of Special Arrangement as in force before commencement of the *National Health (COVID-19 Supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment (Additional Extension) Special Arrangement 2021***

- (1) This Special Arrangement, as in force immediately before the commencement of this section, continues to apply on and after that commencement in relation to the supply of a pharmaceutical benefit made under this Special Arrangement before that commencement.

#### 7 Subsection 18(1)

Omit “1 January 2022”, substitute “1 April 2022”.