



PB 109 of 2022

National Health (Closing the Gap—PBS Co-payment Program) Special Arrangement Amendment (General Co-payment) Instrument 2022

I, Ely Brammesan, as delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make the following instrument.

Dated 15 December 2022

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1 Name

- (1) This instrument is the *National Health (Closing the Gap—PBS Co-payment Program) Special Arrangement Amendment (General Co-payment) Instrument 2022*.
- (2) This instrument may also be cited as PB 109 of 2022.

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	1 January 2023.	1 January 2023

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

National Health (Closing the Gap – PBS Co-payment Program) Special Arrangement 2016

1 Section 10A

Before “A pharmaceutical”, insert “(1)”.

2 At the end of section 10A

Add:

- (2) A supply of a pharmaceutical benefit under this Special Arrangement is not eligible for increased discounting within the meaning of section 87AA of the Act.

3 Paragraph 11(4)(b)

Omit “the general patient charge (without any allowable discount)”, substitute “\$42.50 (without any allowable discount)”.