

**PB 38 of 2025**

**National Health (Prescriber Bag Supplies) Amendment (Practitioner Update) Determination 2025**

*National Health Act 1953*

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I, REBECCA RICHARDSON, Assistant Secretary, Pricing and PBS Policy Branch, Technology Assessment and Access Division, Department of Health and Aged Care, delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make this Instrument under sections 93, 93AA and 93AB of the *National Health Act 1953*.

Dated 19 March 2025

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1 Name

1. This Instrument is the *National Health (Prescriber Bag Supplies) Amendment (Practitioner Update) Determination 2025*.
2. This Instrument may also be cited as PB 38 of 2025.

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 |
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| 1. *The whole of this instrument* | *1 February 2025* | *1 February 2025* |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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.

1. 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 sections 93, 93AA and 93AB 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 Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 (Prescriber Bag Supplies) Determination 2024 (PB 29 of 2024)*

1. Section 3

Omit “93 and 93AB”, substitute “93, 93AA and 93AB”.

1. Section 4

Insert:

***authorised midwife*** has the same meaning as in Part VII of the Act.

1. At the end of section 6

Add:

(3)  For the purposes of subsection 93AA(1) of the Act, an authorised midwife is authorised to supply a pharmaceutical benefit that has a drug in a relevant form if the initials “MW” are mentioned for that drug in that form in the column in Schedule 1 headed “Prescriber Bag Supplier”.

1. Subsection 7(1)

Repeal the subsection, substitute:

(1) This section determines the maximum number of units of a pharmaceutical benefit that has a drug in a relevant form which may be obtained by a medical practitioner, an authorised midwife or an authorised nurse practitioner (a ***practitioner***) in a calendar month for the purposes of subsections 93(2), 93AA(2) and 93AB(2) of the Act.