



THE ACCIDENT COMPENSATION (REFERRED TREATMENTS COSTS) REGULATIONS 1990, AMENDMENT NO. 5

MICHAEL HARDIE BOYS, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 30th day of September 1996

Present:

THE HON. DOUG KIDD PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 167 (1) (l) of the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990, Amendment No. 5, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990* (in these regulations referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

*S.R. 1990/242

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1990/343

Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1990/353

Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1991/288

Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1993/209

2. Interpretation—(1) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the term “general practitioner”, and substituting the following definition:

“‘General practitioner’ has the meaning given to it by regulation 2A of the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (General Practitioners Costs) Regulations 1993:”.

(2) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking the definition of the term “registered medical practitioner”, and substituting the following definition:

“‘Registered medical practitioner’ means any person who—

“(a) Is entitled to practise medicine under the title of medical practitioner pursuant to section 9 of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995; and

“(b) Holds a current certificate issued under that Act or the Medical Practitioners Act 1968 evidencing that entitlement to practise medicine:”.

(3) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking the definition of the term “registered specialist” (as substituted by regulation 2 (2) of the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990, Amendment No. 4), and substituting the following definition:

“‘Registered specialist’ means any registered medical practitioner who is—

“(a) A registered specialist within the meaning of the Accident Compensation (Specialists Costs) Regulations (No. 2) 1990; or

“(b) A specialist anaesthetist within the meaning of the Accident Compensation (Anaesthetists Costs) Regulations 1990:”.

3. Corporation to pay certain costs—Regulation 4 (7) of the principal regulations (as amended by regulation 3 (2) of the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990, Amendment No. 4) is hereby amended by omitting the words “in respect of which the Corporation is prohibited from making a payment by section 27B of the Act”, and substituting the words “to the cost of which the Corporation is, pursuant to section 27 (4) of the Act, not obliged to contribute”.

4. Prohibition on contributions to cost of treatment provided by Crown health enterprises—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 5A (as inserted by regulation 5 of the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990, Amendment No. 4), and substituting the following regulation:

“5A. (1) Notwithstanding anything in these regulations, but subject to subclause (2) of this regulation, the Corporation shall not contribute to the costs of any treatment where that treatment is—

“(a) Provided or obliged to be provided by any Crown health enterprise;

or

“(b) Provided or obliged to be provided by any treatment provider who is under a contract of service or contract for services with a Crown health enterprise where—

“(i) That contract relates to the provision of treatment which the Crown health enterprise is obliged to provide under a purchase agreement; and

“(ii) The treatment provider is providing or obliged to provide the treatment pursuant to that contract with that Crown health enterprise.

“(2) Nothing in subclause (1) of this regulation applies to an agreement, contract, or arrangement entered into by the Corporation under section 29A of the Act.”

5. Revocations—Regulations 2 (2) and 5 of the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990, Amendment No. 4 are hereby revoked.

MARIE SHROFF,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations amend the Accident Compensation (Referred Treatments Costs) Regulations 1990. The amendments make changes that are consequential on the coming into force of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995 and the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Amendment Act (No. 2) 1996.

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These regulations are administered in the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Corporation.