

THE BAY OF PLENTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT ORDER 1974

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 19th day of August 1974

Present:

THE HON. H. WATT PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

Pursuant to the Hospitals Act 1957, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following order.

ORDER

- 1. Title and commencement—(1) This order may be cited as the Bay of Plenty Hospital District Order 1974.
- (2) Part I of this order shall come into force on the 12th day of October 1974, and Part II shall come into force on the 14th day of October 1974.
 - 2. Interpretation—In this order—

"The Act" means the Hospitals Act 1957:

"Board" means the Board of the Bay of Plenty Hospital District constituted under clause 4 of this order.

PART I—BAY OF PLENTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

- 3. Abolition of Bay of Plenty and Opotiki Hospital Districts—The hospital districts of Bay of Plenty and Opotiki are hereby abolished.
- 4. New Bay of Plenty Hospital District constituted—There is hereby constituted a new hospital district under the name of "The Bay of Plenty Hospital District". The district shall comprise the whole of the area included in the hospital districts abolished by clause 3 of this order.
- 5. Election of the members of the new Board—The first election of the members of the Board shall be held on the 12th day of October 1974.

- 6. Consequential amendment to First Schedule to the Hospitals Act 1957—(1) The First Schedule to the Act (as substituted by section 15 (1) of the Hospitals Amendment Act 1970) is hereby consequentially amended by omitting item 3, and substituting the following item:
 - "3. Bay of Plenty Hospital | Whakatane, Opotiki."
- (2) The said First Schedule (as so substituted) is hereby further amended by omitting item 12.

PART II—COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT IN THE RECONSTITUTED DISTRICT

- 7. Establishment of Opotiki Hospital Committee Area—(1) Pursuant to section 58 of the Act, there is hereby declared to be a hospital committee area under the name of "The Opotiki Hospital Committee Area", which shall comprise the constituent district of the County of Opotiki.
- (2) A hospital committee is hereby established for the management of institutions in the area, consisting of the following number of members:
 - (a) The member or members of the Board who, pursuant to section 58 (3) (b) of the Act, are members of the committee by virtue of their membership of the Board:
 - (b) Three other members to be appointed to represent the constituent district of the area.
- 8. Committee to have certain powers of Board—(1) The hospital committee established under clause 7 of this order shall, subject to the direction of the Bay of Plenty Hospital Board, have the general management and supervision of every institution in its area, and in particular shall have in respect of every such institution the following powers of the Board:
 - (a) The power to inquire into complaints on behalf of patients and to deal with any such complaint or determine whether or not it should be referred to the Board:
 - (b) The power to appoint and dismiss hospital domestic staff, laundry staff, porters, gardeners, and such other staff as the Board may authorise the committee to appoint and dismiss; but, except with the prior approval of the Minister of Health, the committee shall not be authorised to appoint and dismiss medical practitioners, nurses (of any description), laboratory workers, pharmacists, radiographers, physiotherapists, dietitians, occupational therapists, secretarial and clerical staff, orthopaedic technicians, or other professional or technical staff directly employed in the relief, care, or treatment of patients:
 - (c) The power to suspend any employee for misconduct, but the suspension and the circumstances surrounding it shall immediately be reported to the Board.
- (2) In the exercise of any of its powers, the committee shall observe and comply with any statutory conditions or restrictions for the time being applicable to similar powers exercisable by a Hospital Board.

9. Proceedings of committee, etc.—Subject to the provisions of section 58 of the Act, and of this order, the constitution and proceedings of the committee established under clause 7 of this order, the mode of appointment and tenure of office of the members of such committee, and the procedure for the filling of vacancies thereon, shall be such as are prescribed in Part IV of the Hospital Boards and Committees of Management Regulations 1959*.

P. G. MILLEN, Clerk of the Executive Council.

*S.R. 1959/130 Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1967/144 Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1967/227

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order provides for the abolition of the Bay of Plenty and Opotiki Hospital Districts, and for the establishment of a new hospital district comprising the abolished districts under the name of "The Bay of Plenty Hospital District". This order also provides for the establishment of the Opotiki Hospital Committee Area.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 22 August 1974. This order is administered in the Department of Health.