

Serial Number **1954/192****THE DRUG TARIFF 1953, AMENDMENT NO. 4**

PURSUANT to section 90 of the Social Security Act 1938, the Minister of Health hereby gives the following direction:

1. This direction may be cited as the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 4, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Drug Tariff 1953* (hereinafter referred to as the Drug Tariff).

2. The Fifth Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended by inserting, after clause 4, the following clause:

"4A. Such rauwolfia serpentina alkaloids as are specified hereunder, and such other preparations of rauwolfia serpentina as are from time to time approved by the Director-General of Health:

"Tablets of reserpine."

3. (1) The Seventh Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended by revoking rule 13 (as substituted by clause 6 of the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 3), and substituting the following rule:

"13. *Application to Prescription Pricing Supplements.*—For the purpose of payment of pharmaceutical benefits claims, the pricing of a medical prescription in accordance with rule 1 of this Schedule shall apply to—

"(a) The Official Schedules and Rules for Prescription Pricing (August 1954), issued by the Pharmacy Plan Industrial Committee, in respect of all claims and supporting prescriptions, whatever the date thereof, that are received by a Medical Officer of Health on or after the 16th day of August 1954:

"(b) The Prescription Pricing Supplement 1954/4, issued by the said Committee, in respect of all claims and supporting prescriptions, whatever the date thereof, that are received by a Medical Officer of Health on or after the 16th day of November 1954."

(2) The Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 3, is hereby consequentially amended by revoking clause 6.

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of October 1954.

J. R. MARSHALL,
Minister of Health.

* Statutory Regulations 1953, Serial number 1953/123, page 631.
Amendments Nos. 1 and 2: (*Revoked by Amendment No. 3*).
Amendment No. 3: Statutory Regulations 1954, Serial number 1954/119, page 464.