



**THE HOSPITALS (ELIGIBILITY FOR EXEMPTION) NOTICE
1996**

PURSUANT to section 136A of the Hospitals Act 1957, the Minister of Health hereby gives the following notice.

NOTICE

1. Title and commencement—(1) This notice may be cited as the Hospitals (Eligibility for Exemption) Notice 1996.

(2) This notice shall come into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Class of hospital eligible to be granted exemption—(1) A hospital is eligible to be granted an exemption under section 136B of the Hospitals Act 1957 if that hospital satisfies the following criteria:

- (a) The hospital must be licensed under that Act to maintain a maximum of 10 patients at any one time:
- (b) The hospital must provide any one or more of the following services on an as required basis:
 - (i) Maternity services:
 - (ii) Medical services:
 - (iii) Surgical services:
 - (iv) Geriatric services:
 - (v) Convalescent services.

(2) For the purposes of subclause (1) (b) of this clause, a service is provided on an as required basis if the service is provided as and when required by a patient, rather than being available at all times, regardless of need.

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of June 1996.

J. M. SHIPLEY,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This notice declares that hospitals of the class of hospital specified in the notice are eligible to be granted an exemption under section 136B of the Hospitals Act 1957. That section empowers the Minister of Health to exempt an eligible hospital from all or any of the provisions of any regulations made under section 152 of that Act.

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This notice is administered in the Ministry of Health.