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THE SOCIAL SECURITY (HOSPITAL BENEFITS) REGULATIONS 1979, AMENDMENT NO. 5

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 22nd day of September 1986

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to sections 123 and 132 of the Social Security Act 1964, 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, commencement, and application—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Hospital Benefits) Regulations 1979, Amendment No. 5, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Hospital Benefits) Regulations 1979* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).
- (2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1986, and shall apply to hospital treatment provided on or after that date. In respect of hospital treatment provided before that date, the principal regulations shall continue to apply as if these regulations had not been made.

*S.R. 1979/144

Amendment No. 1: (Revoked by S.R. 1981/274) Amendment No. 2: (Revoked by S.R. 1984/227) Amendment No. 3: (Revoked by S.R. 1984/227) Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1984/227

- 2. Certain daily fees increased—Regulation 3 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraphs (a) to (e) (as substituted by regulation 2 of the Social Security (Hospital Benefits) Regulations 1979, Amendment No. 4), and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(a) For hospital treatment afforded to a surgical patient—
 - "(i) Where treatment has been afforded on not more than 1 day, the sum of \$32.50:
 - "(ii) Where treatment has been afforded on more than 1 day, the sum of \$28.75 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:
 - "(b) Subject to section 105 of the Social Security Act 1964, for hospital treatment afforded to a maternity patient, the sum of \$31 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:
 - "(c) For hospital treatment afforded to a geriatric patient, the sum of \$27.75 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:

"Provided that the said sum shall also be payable in respect of each day (not exceeding 2 days in any period of 1 month) during which the geriatric patient is absent from the hospital on leave:

- "(d) For hospital treatment afforded to a long-term medical patient, the sum of \$27.75 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:
- "(e) For hospital treatment afforded to any other patient, the sum of \$22.25 for every day on which treatment has been afforded."
- **3. Revocation**—The Social Security (Hospital Benefits) Regulations 1979, Amendment No. 4 are hereby consequentially revoked.

P. G. MILLEN, 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, which come into force on 1 October 1986, increase certain daily benefits payable under the Social Security (Hospital Benefits) Regulations 1979 in respect of hospital treatment provided to surgical, maternity, geriatric, long-term medical, and other patients in private hospitals.

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