



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (HOSPITAL BENEFITS)
REGULATIONS 1979, AMENDMENT NO. 1**

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 16th day of March 1981

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. R. D. MULDOON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to 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. 1, 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 be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of July 1980.

(3) These regulations shall apply only in respect of hospital treatment afforded on or after the 1st day of July 1980.

2. Increasing daily fees—Regulation 3 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraphs (a) to (e), 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 \$30:

 “(ii) Where treatment has been afforded on more than 1 day, the sum of \$21 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 \$21 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:

- “(c) For hospital treatment afforded to a geriatric patient, the sum of \$18.50 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:
- “(d) For hospital treatment afforded to a long-term medical patient, the sum of \$18.50 for every day on which treatment has been afforded:
- “(e) For hospital treatment afforded to any other patient, the sum of \$16 for every day on which treatment has been afforded.”

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 alter the daily benefits payable to licensees of private hospitals in respect of hospital treatment afforded on or after 1 July 1980, as follows:

- (a) Surgical treatment after the 1st day, from \$18 to \$21 a day:
- (b) Hospital treatment afforded to a maternity patient, from \$18 to \$21 a day. The provision for a benefit of \$30 where treatment has been afforded on not more than 1 day has been omitted:
- (c) The benefit for geriatric patients and long-term medical patients is increased from \$16 to \$18.50 per day.
- (d) The benefit for other patients is increased from \$14 to \$16 per day.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.