



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (PHYSIOTHERAPY BENEFITS)  
REGULATIONS 1984, AMENDMENT NO. 1**

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PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 15th day of September 1986

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL 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.

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REGULATIONS

**1. Title, commencement, and application**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Physiotherapy Benefits) Regulations 1984, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Physiotherapy Benefits) Regulations 1984\* (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 physiotherapy services provided on or after that date.

**2. Payment of fees**—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 7, and substituting the following regulation:

“7. (1) Subject to subclause (3) of this regulation, a recognised physiotherapist shall be entitled to receive from the Department for each separate occasion on which that recognised physiotherapist has provided physiotherapy services for any patient in accordance with these regulations—

“(a) A fee of \$1.65, if the services were provided for a patient (other than a child in respect of whom a family benefit is being paid under Part I of the Act) referred to in subclause (2) of this regulation:

“(b) Subject to paragraph (c) of this subclause, a fee of \$1.10 in any other case:

“(c) A fee of 45c in respect of each patient in a group.

“(2) Subclause (1) (a) of this regulation applies to every patient who—

“(a) Has attained the age of 65 years; or

“(b) Is a beneficiary within the meaning of Part I of the Act; or

“(c) Is a person in receipt of an economic pension, a pension as the wife of a member of the forces, an allowance as a veteran or the wife or widow of a veteran, a war service pension as a serviceman or the wife or widow of a serviceman, or a war orphan's pension, under the War Pensions Act 1954; or

“(d) Is the wife of any such beneficiary or person; or

“(e) Has satisfied the Social Security Commission that he or she—

“(i) Is in receipt of a benefit, pension, or periodical allowance, granted elsewhere than in New Zealand, in respect of which a benefit under Part I of the Act has been or would be reduced, refused, or terminated under section 70 of the Act; and

“(ii) Would not, by reason of his or her income, be wholly disqualified from receiving a benefit under Part I of the Act, if he or she were otherwise entitled thereto; or

“(f) Is the wife of a person referred to in paragraph (e) of this subclause; or

“(g) Is a person who is shown to the satisfaction of the Director-General of Health, on the application of the medical practitioner who recommended that person to the physiotherapist, supported by such particulars and information as the Director-General may require, to be suffering for the time being from a condition which necessitates frequent attention by the physiotherapist over a prolonged period, and in relation to whom it would, in the opinion of the Director-General, be unreasonable, because of that condition, to restrict the amount of the benefit payable to the amount prescribed in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subclause (1) of this regulation; or

“(h) Is a member of a class of persons to which the provisions of this subclause have been declared to apply by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*.

“(3) A recognised physiotherapist shall not be entitled to receive more than one fee in respect of physiotherapy services provided for any patient on any one occasion notwithstanding the fact that the services may have been provided in respect of more than one condition of the patient.

“(4) For the purposes of this regulation, ‘group’ means not less than 2 patients nor more than 15 patients who are receiving treatment collectively on one occasion.”

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

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#### 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 the fees payable under the Social Security (Physiotherapy Benefits) Regulations 1984 for physiotherapy services.

Regulation 7 of the principal regulations cross-refers to the category of patients referred to in section 93 (1A) of the Social Security Act 1964. This section was repealed by section 21 of the Social Security Amendment Act 1986. Regulation 7 of the principal regulations now refers directly to the category of patients previously referred to in section 93 (1A) of the Social Security Act 1964.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.