Reprint as at 3 February 2020



Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) Notice 2015

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Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) Notice 2015: revoked, on 3 February 2020, by clause 3.

Pursuant to section 54(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Minister of Health, being satisfied of the matters set out in that subsection, gives the following notice.

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Notice

1 Title

This notice is the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) Notice 2015.

2 Commencement

This notice comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint. Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

This notice is administered by the Ministry of Health.

3 Revocation of this notice

This notice is revoked on 3 February 2020.

4 Declaration of protected quality assurance activity

The quality assurance activity described in the Schedule is protected.

Schedule Description of quality assurance activity

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1 Objective

The objective of the activity is to improve the practices or competence of health practitioners by assessing the health services performed by them.

2 Information

The activity is based on information derived from health practitioners who perform health services.

3 Description

- (1) The activity is the quality assurance activities provided or managed for health practitioners by Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited.
- (2) The activity involves—
 - (a) providing evidence-informed best-practice education; and
 - (b) examining patients' records; and
 - (c) reviewing—
 - (i) patient management; and
 - (ii) medical management; and
 - (iii) nursing management; and
 - (iv) pharmacist management; and
 - (v) treatment decisions; and
 - (vi) outcomes of treatment; and
 - (vii) internal auditing of procedures; and
 - (viii) patient satisfaction questionnaires; and
 - (d) peer reviewing and clinical auditing; and
 - (e) monitoring, analysing, and peer reviewing—
 - (i) prescribing practices; and
 - (ii) laboratory practices; and
 - (iii) diagnostic practices; and

- (iv) imaging practices; and
- (v) referral practices; and
- (f) identifying and analysing any process or practice that may, but need not, have resulted in an adverse outcome for patients; and
- (g) making recommendations on how health practitioners can improve their performance so as to—
 - (i) improve the quality of care they provide; and
 - (ii) reduce the incidence of adverse outcomes; and
- (h) facilitating and monitoring the implementation of recommendations.

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of February 2015.

Hon Jonathan Coleman, Minister of Health.

Explanatory note

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

This notice comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*. It declares the quality assurance activity described in the *Schedule* (relating to Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) to be protected. A quality assurance activity is an activity that is undertaken to improve the practices or competence of health practitioners by assessing the health services performed by them. The effect of protecting a quality assurance activity is that—

- any information that becomes known solely as a result of the activity is confidential; and
- any documents brought into existence solely for the purposes of the activity are confidential; and
- people who engage in the activity in good faith are immune from civil liability.

The protections given by this notice are subject to statutory exceptions. For example, this notice does not prohibit the disclosure of information that does not identify, either expressly or by implication, a particular individual.

This notice revokes itself on 3 February 2020.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 12 February 2015.

Reprints notes

1 General

This is a reprint of the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) Notice 2015 that incorporates all the amendments to that notice as at the date of the last amendment to it.

2 Legal status

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

3 Editorial and format changes

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/.

4 Amendments incorporated in this reprint

Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Pegasus Health (Charitable) Limited) Notice 2015: clause 3