

Reprint

as at 5 June 2009

Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Otago District Health Board) Notice 2004

(SR 2004/113)

Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Otago District Health Board) Notice 2004: revoked (after expiring on 4 May 2009), on 5 June 2009, by clause 4 of the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activities—Otago District Health Board) Notice 2009 (SR 2009/156).

Pursuant to section 54 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Minister of Health gives the following notice.

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Note

Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this eprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this eprint, together with other explanatory material about this eprint.

This notice is administered in the Ministry of Health.

Notice

1 Title

This notice is the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Otago District Health Board) Notice 2004.

2 Commencement

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

3 Declaration of protected quality assurance activity

The Otago District Health Board Quality Assurance Activity described in the Schedule is a protected quality assurance activity.

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Description of Otago District Health Board Quality Assurance Activity

1 Objective

The objective of the activity is to improve the practices and competence of health practitioners engaged in the activity by assessing the health services performed by those health practitioners.

2 Method

- (1) The activity is based on information derived from health practitioners who provide health services on behalf of the Otago District Health Board.
- (2) The activity involves—
 - (a) the examination of patients' records; and
 - (b) the analysis of the following data on patients:
 - (i) admission and discharge; and
 - (ii) morbidity; and
 - (iii) mortality; and
 - (iv) outcomes of treatment; and

- (c) the identification and analysis of any process or practice that results in an outcome for patients which may, but need not be, an adverse outcome; and
- (d) the holding of peer review meetings; and
- (e) the review of—
 - (i) patient management; and
 - (ii) treatment decisions; and
 - (iii) internal auditing of procedures; and
- (f) the making of recommendations on how the health practitioners who are engaging in the activity can improve their performance so as to—
 - (i) improve the quality of care they provide; and
 - (ii) reduce the incidence of adverse outcomes; and
- (g) the monitoring of the implementation of any such recommendations.

Dated at Wellington this 4th day of May 2004.

Hon Annette King,
Minister of Health.

Explanatory note

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

This notice, which comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*, declares the quality assurance activity called the Otago District Health Board Quality Assurance Activity to be a protected quality assurance activity. The effect of this declaration is that, subject to certain exceptions,—

- 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

- the persons who engage in the activity in good faith are immune from civil liability.

Under section 54(4) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, this notice remains in force for a period of 5 years after the date on which it is issued, unless it is sooner revoked.

An earlier notice (SR 1998/344) declared the Healthcare Otago Quality Assurance Activity to be a quality assurance activity under the provisions of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995, which have now been repealed by the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003. That notice has expired.

Issued under the authority of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989.
Date of notification in *Gazette*: 13 May 2004.

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Notes

1 *General*

This is an eprint of the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Otago District Health Board) Notice 2004. It incorporates all the amendments to the notice as at 5 June 2009. The list of amendments at the end of these notes specifies all the amendments incorporated into this eprint since 3 September 2007. Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions are also included, after the Principal enactment, in chronological order.

2 *About this eprint*

This eprint has not been officialised. For more information about officialisation, please see “Making online legislation official” under “Status of legislation on this site” in the About section of this website.

3 *List of amendments incorporated in this eprint (most recent first)*

Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activities—Otago District Health Board) Notice 2009 (SR 2009/156): clause 4

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48): section 54(4)
