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Health Insurance (1998–99 General Medical Services Table) Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 2)

Statutory Rules 1999 No. 2

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I, WILLIAM PATRICK DEANE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Health Insurance Act 1973*.

Dated 2 1999.

23 February

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WILLIAM DEANE
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

MICHAEL WOOLDRIDGE
Minister for Health and Aged Care



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These regulations are the *Health Insurance (1998–99 General Medical Services Table) Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 2)*.

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2 Commencement

These regulations commence on 1 March 1999.

3 Amendment of Health Insurance (1998–99 General Medical Services Table) Regulations 1998

Schedule 1 amends the *Health Insurance (1998–99 General Medical Services Table) Regulations 1998*.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Health Insurance (1998–99 General Medical Services) Table Regulations 1998

(regulation 3)

[1] Schedule 1, Part 1, after rule 21

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21A Qualified sleep medicine practitioner

For items 12203 and 12207, *qualified sleep medicine practitioner* means:

- (a) a person who, before 1 March 1999, had been assessed by the Credentialling Subcommittee (the *Credentialling Subcommittee*) of the Specialist Advisory Committee in Thoracic and Sleep Medicine of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (the *Advisory Committee*) as having sufficient training and experience in sleep medicine to be competent in independent clinical assessment and management of patients with respiratory sleep disorders and in reporting sleep studies; or
- (b) for 2 years following assessment — a person who, before 1 March 1999, had been assessed by the Credentialling Subcommittee as having substantial training or experience in sleep medicine but as requiring further specified training or experience in sleep medicine to be competent in independent clinical assessment and management of patients with respiratory sleep disorders and in reporting sleep studies; or

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- (c) a person mentioned in paragraph (b) who has been assessed by the Credentialling Subcommittee as having satisfactorily finished the training or gained the experience specified for that person; or
 - (d) a person who, after completing at least 12 months' core training, including clinical practice in sleep medicine and in reporting sleep studies, has attained Level I or Level II of the Advanced Training Program in Sleep Medicine of the Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand and the Australasian Sleep Association; or
 - (e) a person whom the Advisory Committee has recognised, in writing, as having training equivalent to the training mentioned in paragraph (d).

[2] Schedule 1, Part 2, item 12203, paragraph (b)

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[3] Schedule 1, Part 2, item 12207, paragraph (b)

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Notes

1. These regulations amend Statutory Rules 1998 No. 301, as amended by 1998 No. 334
2. Made by the Governor-General on \sphericalangle 1999, and notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on \sphericalangle 1999.

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