



# Statutory Rules

1973 No. 221

REGULATIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH ACT 1953-1973.\*

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, hereby make the following Regulations under the *National Health Act 1953-1973*.

Dated this thirteenth day of November, 1973.

PAUL HASLUCK  
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. G. HAYDEN  
Minister of State for Social Security.

## AMENDMENTS OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS†

1. Regulation 3 of the National Health Regulations is repealed and the following regulation substituted:—

“ 3. In these Regulations—

‘ the Act ’ means the *National Health Act 1953-1973*;

‘ the Director-General ’ has the same meaning as that expression has in the *Social Services Act 1947-1973*.”.

Definitions.

2. Regulation 20b of the National Health Regulations is amended by omitting from sub-regulation (2) the words “Department of Health” and substituting the words “Department of Social Security”.

Manner of referral to specialists or consultant positions.

3. (1) Regulation 25 of the National Health Regulations is amended—

Fees.

(a) by omitting the words “Two dollars fifty cents” (wherever occurring) and substituting the words “Three dollars”; and

(b) by omitting the words “Three dollars sixty cents” (wherever occurring) and substituting the words “Four dollars thirty cents”.

(2) The amendments effected by sub-regulation (1) apply to and in relation to medical services rendered by a medical practitioner on or after 1 July 1973.

\* Notified in the *Australian Government Gazette* on 14 November 1973.

† Statutory Rules 1954, No. 35, as amended by Statutory Rules 1957, No. 71; 1958, No. 63; 1962, Nos. 55, 70 and 113; 1965, Nos. 17, 94 and 185; 1966, No. 99; 1967, No. 86; 1969, Nos. 91 and 220; 1970, Nos. 70 and 166; 1971, Nos. 28, 76, 103 and 138; 1972, No. 79; and 1973, Nos. 17, 75 and 111.

**Application.**

4. Where, at any time before the commencement of this Regulation, a power was exercised or a function was performed by the Director-General of Health or his delegate, under the National Health Regulations as in force at that time, the exercise of that power or the performance of that function shall, on and after the commencement of these Regulations, be as valid and effectual for all purposes whatsoever as it would have been if—

(a) the National Health Regulations as amended by regulations 1 and 2 of these Regulations had been in force at that time; and

(b) the power had been exercised or the function had been performed by the Director-General of Social Services,

and, for the purpose of the National Health Regulations as amended by regulations 1 and 2 of these Regulations, that power shall be deemed to have been exercised or that function to have been performed, by the Director-General of Social Services.