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Health Insurance Amendment Regulations 2001 (No. 1)

Statutory Rules 2001 No. 1²

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I, PETER JOHN HOLLINGWORTH, 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 27 SEP 2001 2001

PETER HOLLINGWORTH
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

MICHAEL WOOLDRIDGE
Minister for Health and Aged Care

1 Name of Regulations

These Regulations are the *Health Insurance Amendment Regulations 2001* (No.).

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2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on gazettal.

3 Amendment of *Health Insurance Regulations 1975*

Schedule 1 amends the *Health Insurance Regulations 1975*.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(regulation 3)

[1] Regulation 6EA

omit

paragraph 3GB (1) (b)

insert

paragraph 3GA (5) (b)

[2] Regulation 6EA

omit

subsection 3GA (5)

insert

subsection 3GA (4)

[3] **After regulation 13**

insert

13AA Payment to general practitioner by electronic transmission (Act s 20 (5))

- (1) This regulation applies to the payment, by the Commission, of an amount under subsection 20 (3) of the Act to a general practitioner by whom, or on whose behalf, a professional service was rendered.
- (2) For subsection 20 (5) of the Act, the payment of the amount may be made by means of electronic transmission of the amount to an account kept with a bank if:
 - (a) the general practitioner is enrolled, for the location at which the professional service was rendered, in the scheme known as the '90 Day Pay Doctor Cheques Scheme', administered by the Commission for the purpose of making payments, by electronic transmission, of amounts to general practitioners under subsection 20 (3) of the Act; and
 - (b) the general practitioner has given the Commission written permission to give to the Reserve Bank of Australia the following information:
 - (i) the name and number of the account into which a payment to the general practitioner under subsection 20 (3) of the Act may be made;
 - (ii) the name and BSB number of the bank at which that account is kept.
- (3) For the purposes of section 20 of the Act:
general practitioner includes a medical practitioner (other than a specialist or consultant physician) who practises in general practice.

[4] Schedule 5, Part 2, after item 15*insert*

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| 16 | Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care | Approved Private Emergency Department Program |
| 17 | Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care | Temporary Resident Other Medical Practitioner Program |

Notes

1. These Regulations amend Statutory Rules 1975 No. 80, as amended by 1975 Nos. 118, 125 and 135 (disallowed by the Senate on 4 September 1975); 1976 Nos. 202, 214 and 215; 1977 Nos. 26 and 44; 1978 Nos. 95 and 177; 1979 No. 230; 1981 Nos. 198 and 317; 1982 Nos. 157, 251 and 287; 1983 Nos. 106, 231, 253 and 255; 1984 Nos. 5 and 162; 1985 Nos. 36, 50, 95, 205 and 290 (disallowed by the Senate at the expiration of 10 April 1986); 1986 Nos. 19, 20, 87 and 326; 1987 Nos. 32, 163 and 166; 1988 No. 314; 1989 Nos. 6, 54, 117 and 293; 1990 No. 25; 1991 Nos. 82, 314, 365 and 441; 1992 Nos. 42, 111, 239, 335 and 431; 1993 Nos. 106, 130 and 154; 1994 Nos. 20, 27, 111, 137, 138, 328 and 413; 1995 Nos. 9, 25, 287, 300 and 409; 1996 Nos. 231, 234, 235, 335 and 336; 1997 Nos. 61, 287, 300, 319 and 395; 1998 Nos. 44, 125, 138, 204, 220, 253, 268, 370, 371 and 372; 1999 Nos. 48, 88, 157, 176, 254, 343 and 344; 2000 Nos. 146 and 290.
2. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on */* 2001.

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