

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988

Issued by Comcare

Notice of a Disallowable Instrument

Approved Form: Application Form for Initial Approval as a Rehabilitation Program Provider

The purpose of the form to which this Explanatory Statement relates is to gather relevant information from a person applying to Comcare for initial approval as a rehabilitation program provider pursuant to the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* (the SRC Act).

Section 34C of the SRC Act provides that a person wishing to apply to Comcare for approval as a rehabilitation program provider must make an application to Comcare in writing in the approved form.

An application for approval must contain such information relating to the criteria in force under section 34D and the operational standards in force under section 34E as the approved form specifies. The relevant criteria and standards were determined on 29 September 2006 and then registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments. These documents are incorporated by reference.

‘Approved form’ is defined in section 34S of the SRC Act as a form that is approved by instrument in writing by Comcare and is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of section 5(1) of the Legislative Instruments Act 2003.

In accordance with section 34S of the SRC Act, the form has been approved by instrument in writing by Comcare. The form is a revised version of that determined on 8 October 2003 (Notice No 21 of 2003) and published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No GN 41, 15 October 2003.

Approval of the form will be effective from 1 January 2007, as prescribed in the notice to which this statement is attached.