



# Premium Support Scheme Amendment 2012

I, TANYA JOAN PLIBERSEK, Minister for Health, make this instrument under subsection 43 (1) of the *Medical Indemnity Act 2002*.

Dated twentieth June 2012

Tanya Plibersek  
Minister for Health

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## **Part 1      Preliminary**

**1.    Name of instrument** [Note 1]

This instrument is the *Premium Support Scheme Amendment 2012*.

**2.    Commencement**

This instrument commences on 1 July 2012.

**3.    Amendment of the *Premium Support Scheme 2004***

The Schedule amends the *Premium Support Scheme 2004*.

## Schedule - Amendments

### [1] Part 4, subsection 14 (1)

*substitute*

- (1) For an eligible member referred to in paragraph 12(1) (a), the **PSS calculation** is:
- (a) for premium periods starting before 1 July 2012, 80% of the amount by which the member's gross indemnity costs exceed the base amount; and
  - (b) for premium periods starting on or after 1 July 2012 and before 1 July 2013, 70% of the amount by which the member's gross indemnity costs exceed the base amount; and
  - (c) for premium periods starting on or after 1 July 2013, 60% of the amount by which the member's gross indemnity costs exceed the base amount.

### [2] Part 4, subsection 14 (3)

*substitute*

- (3) For a member referred to in subsection 12 (5), the base amount in subsection (1) is zero and the PSS calculation is:
- (a) for premium periods starting before 1 July 2012, 80% of the member's gross indemnity costs; and
  - (b) for premium periods starting on or after 1 July 2012 and before 1 July 2013, 70% of the member's gross indemnity costs; and
  - (c) for premium periods starting on or after 1 July 2013, 60% of the member's gross indemnity costs.

### [3] Part 9, subsection 47 (2) and paragraph 47 (3) (a)

Omit 'an employee authorised by the Medicare Australia CEO', insert 'a Departmental employee (within the meaning of the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973*) authorised by the Chief Executive Medicare'.

### [4] Part 9, subsection 47 (4)

Omit 'An employee of Medicare Australia', insert 'A Departmental employee (within the meaning of the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973*)'.

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**[5] Further amendments – Medicare Australia CEO**

The following provisions are amended by omitting each mention of ‘Medicare Australia CEO’ and inserting ‘Chief Executive Medicare’:

- section 5
- subparagraph 8 (1) (b) (ii)
- paragraph 8 (2) (b)
- subsection 11 (3)
- note to subsection 11 (3)
- subsection 11 (5)
- paragraph 13 (1) (b)
- paragraph 13 (1) (f)
- note to subsection 13 (1)
- paragraph 13 (2) (b)
- note to subsection 13 (2)
- subsection 13 (3)
- subsection 26 (1)
- subsection 26 (4)
- subsection 27 (1)
- paragraph 27 (1) (d)
- paragraph 27 (1) (e)
- subsection 27 (2)
- subsection 27 (3)
- subsection 28 (1)
- subsection 28 (2)
- subsection 28 (4)
- subsection 28 (5)
- section 31
- subsection 32 (1)
- subsection 33 (1)
- subsection 34 (1)
- subsection 34 (2)
- section 35
- subsection 36 (1)

- subsection 36 (2)
- section 37
- section 38
- subparagraph 40 (a) (iv)
- subparagraph 40 (b) (i)
- paragraph 43 (5) (c)
- subsection 43 (6)
- section 44
- section 45
- paragraph 47 (1) (a)
- paragraph 47 (1) (d)
- heading to section 48
- section 48
- subsection 49 (1)
- subsection 49 (2)
- paragraph 50 (a)
- paragraph 50 (b)
- section 51
- note to section 52

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**Notes**

1. This instrument amends the *Premium Support Scheme 2004*, as amended by the *Premium Support Amendment Scheme 2005 (No. 1)*, the *Premium Support Amendment Scheme 2006 (No. 1)* and the *Premium Support Amendment Scheme 2007*