

Family Assistance (Exemption from Immunisation Requirements) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2012

I, JENNY MACKLIN, Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Minister for Disability Reform, make this Determination under section 7 (1) of the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999*.

Dated 29th June 2012

J Macklin

Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Minister for Disability Reform

1 Name of Determination

This Determination is the Family Assistance (Exemption from Immunisation Requirements) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2012.

2 Commencement

This Determination commences on 1 July 2012.

3 Definitions

Agency has the meaning given by subsection 3 (1) of the A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Administration) Act 1999.

FTB child has the meaning given by subsection 3 (1) of the A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999.

Regular child care has the meaning given by subsection 3 (1) of the A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999.

4 Application

- (1) This Determination applies to Family Tax Benefit (FTB) Part A supplement.
- (2) This Determination applies to all claims for FTB Part A supplement made after 30 June 2012.

5 Exemption from immunisation requirements

- (1) A child is exempt from the requirement to be immunised if:
 - (a) the child is an FTB child; and
 - (b) an officer of the Church of Christ, Scientist declares, in writing, that:
 - (i) the individual in relation to whom the child is an FTB child, or a regular care child, is a practicing member of the Church; or
 - (ii) the partner of that individual is a practicing member of that Church; and
 - (c) a copy of the declaration is given to the agency.

6 Exceptional Circumstances

The Secretary has a discretion to exempt a child from the requirement to be immunised within the specific period if the Secretary is satisfied that exceptional circumstances exist.