



Healthcare Identifiers Amendment (Health Facilitation Programs) Regulations 2025

I, the Honourable Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 29 May 2025

Sam Mostyn AC
Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

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Minister for Health and Ageing

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Healthcare Identifiers Amendment (Health Facilitation Programs) Regulations 2025*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	30 May 2025

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Healthcare Identifiers Act 2010*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Healthcare Identifiers Regulations 2020

1 Section 5

Insert:

health facilitation program means a program that is operated or funded by one or more government bodies and that facilitates the provision of adequate and appropriate healthcare to healthcare recipients, or a class of healthcare recipients.

operator of a health facilitation program means the body, or any of the bodies, that operates the program.

2 At the end of Part 2

Add:

10A Collection, use and disclosure—individual healthcare provider information in relation to health facilitation program

- (1) This section is made for the purposes of subsection 25D(1) of the Act.
- (2) An entity mentioned in column 1 of an item in the following table is authorised to take action of the kind described in column 2 of that item with information of the kind described in column 3 of that item in the circumstances described in column 4 of that item.

Collection, use and disclosure of individual healthcare provider information in relation to health facilitation program				
Item	Column 1 Entity	Column 2 Permitted action	Column 3 Information	Column 4 Circumstances
1	individual healthcare provider	use disclose to an operator of a health facilitation program or the service operator	healthcare identifier of the healthcare provider	the use or disclosure is for the purpose of: (a) determining the healthcare provider's eligibility to participate in a health facilitation program; or (b) registering the provider to participate in a health facilitation program; or (c) the provider participating in a health facilitation program; or (d) if the provider has provided healthcare to healthcare recipients through a healthcare facilitation program—supporting continuity of healthcare to the healthcare recipients

Collection, use and disclosure of individual healthcare provider information in relation to health facilitation program				
Item	Column 1 Entity	Column 2 Permitted action	Column 3 Information	Column 4 Circumstances
2	individual healthcare provider	collect use	healthcare identifier of another healthcare provider	the collection or use is for the purpose of: (a) supporting the other provider's participation in a health facilitation program; or (b) if the healthcare provider has provided healthcare to healthcare recipients through a healthcare facilitation program—supporting continuity of healthcare to the healthcare recipients
3	operator of a health facilitation program	collect from an individual healthcare provider use disclose to another healthcare provider or the service operator	healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider identifying information of an individual healthcare provider	the collection, use or disclosure is for the purpose of: (a) determining the healthcare provider's eligibility to participate in the health facilitation program; or (b) registering the provider to participate in the program; or (c) managing the provider's participation in the program; or (d) supporting the other provider's participation in the program; or (e) if the provider has provided healthcare to healthcare recipients through the program—supporting continuity of healthcare to the healthcare recipients
4	service operator	collect from an individual healthcare provider or operator of a health facilitation program use disclose to an operator of a health facilitation program	healthcare identifier of the individual healthcare provider identifying information of the individual healthcare provider	the collection, use or disclosure is for the purpose of determining the healthcare provider's eligibility to participate in the health facilitation program

Collection, use and disclosure of individual healthcare provider information in relation to health facilitation program				
Item	Column 1 Entity	Column 2 Permitted action	Column 3 Information	Column 4 Circumstances
5	operator of a health facilitation program	collect from service operator use	healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider identifying information of an individual healthcare provider	the collection or use is for the purpose of determining the healthcare provider's eligibility to participate in the health facilitation program
6	operator of a health facilitation program	use disclose	healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider	the use or disclosure is for the purpose of evaluation, analysis or reporting relating to whether the program is supporting the delivery of adequate and appropriate healthcare to healthcare recipients, or a class of healthcare recipients
7	entity to whom healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider is disclosed for a purpose mentioned in column 4 of item 6	collect use disclose	healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider	the collection, use or disclosure is for the purpose of evaluation, analysis or reporting relating to whether a health facilitation program is supporting the delivery of adequate and appropriate healthcare to healthcare recipients, or a class of healthcare recipients

10B Adopting the healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider—health facilitation program

- (1) This section is made for the purposes of subsection 25D(2) of the Act.
- (2) An operator of a health facilitation program may adopt the healthcare identifier of an individual healthcare provider for use as the operator's own identifier for the purposes of the health facilitation program.