

Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Health, Disability and Ageing Measures No. 2) 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 21 August 2025

Sam Mostyn AC

Governor‑General

By Her Excellency’s Command

Katy Gallagher

Minister for Finance

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Health, Disability and Ageing Measures No. 2) 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 | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | The day after this instrument is registered. | 23 August 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Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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 *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Act 1997*.

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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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

Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Regulations 1997

1 In the appropriate position in Part 3 of Schedule 1AB (table)

Insert:

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| 89 | Grant to the Australasian Professional Society on Alcohol & Other Drugs | To provide funding to the Australasian Professional Society on Alcohol & Other Drugs to support the development and availability of scientific research and related materials in the alcohol and other drug field through the publication and distribution of the Drug and Alcohol Review journal over the internet.  This purpose also has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (a) the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, particularly Article 20;  (b) the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12;  (c) the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, particularly Article 38;  (d) the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, particularly Article 14. |
| 90 | Grant to the Alcohol and Drug Foundation Incorporated—Alcohol and Drug Information Network | To increase the availability of evidence‑based information regarding alcohol and other drugs through the Alcohol and Drug Information Network by providing funding to the Alcohol and Drug Foundation Incorporated to:  (a) compile and provide access to print and online evidence‑based information regarding alcohol and other drugs, including information about:  (i) the effects of substances; and  (ii) harm reduction and prevention; and  (b) develop and provide access to online tools and resources regarding alcohol and other drugs; and  (c) collect and analyse data to ensure information provided by the Foundation is relevant and continues to meet community needs; and  (d) provide alcohol and other drug information that is culturally relevant to Indigenous people.  This purpose has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) with respect to postal, telegraphic, telephonic, and other like services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(v) of the Constitution); or  (b) with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians; or  (c) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (i) the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, particularly Article 20;  (ii) the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12;  (iii) the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, particularly Article 38;  (iv) the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, particularly Article 14. |
| 91 | Grant to the University of Sydney | To provide funding to the University of Sydney to improve the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (***FASD***) in Australian children by maintaining the FASD Australian Registry, a central database for collecting national FASD data to monitor FASD trends and outcomes throughout the Australian population. |
| 92 | Grant to the University of Newcastle | To provide funding to the University of Newcastle to deliver the SMS4dads project, as a measure with respect to postal, telegraphic, telephonic, and other like services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(v) of the Constitution). |

2 Part 4 of Schedule 1AB (table item 207)

Repeal the item, substitute:

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| 207 | Digital technologies for mental health | To fund:  (a) the development of resources and support tools relating to mental health for delivery online; and  (b) the development of smart applications and websites for the delivery online of resources and support tools relating to mental health services; and  (c) the delivery, online or by telephone, of mental health services including by means of smart applications, websites and third party messenger services; and  (d) the development and trial of information technology solutions to better deliver online mental health services; and  (e) the delivery, online or by telephone, of counselling services and peer‑support services to individuals who are experiencing distress or grief, or who are at increased risk of suicide; and  (f) the evaluation of the efficacy of any of the resources, tools, applications, websites or services referred to in paragraphs (a) to (e);  as a measure with respect to postal, telegraphic, telephonic, and other like services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(v) of the Constitution). |

3 In the appropriate position in Part 4 of Schedule 1AB (table)

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| 726 | Administration of the National Joint Replacement Registry | To support administration of the data management component of the National Joint Replacement Registry. |
| 727 | Long‑Acting Reversible Contraception Centres of Excellence Program | To improve access to long‑acting reversible contraception by establishing centres of excellence to provide health services and training for health professionals in relation to such contraception, as a measure to give effect to Australia’s obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12.  This objective also has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, medical services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution). |
| 728 | Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic Program | To improve health outcomes for individuals experiencing endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause or menopause by funding existing health clinics, expanding the range of services provided at existing health clinics and providing and commissioning additional health clinics to support such individuals.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, medical services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution); or  (b) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12. |
| 729 | Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Diagnostic Program | To improve health and social outcomes for individuals, families and communities affected by Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (***FASD***) by:  (a) providing services which diagnose FASD and assess the impairment caused by FASD; and  (b) training and educating health professionals and other health service providers in relation to the FASD diagnostic process; and  (c) supporting Australians affected by FASD and their families and carers; and  (d) raising awareness of, providing education and advice on and developing and disseminating information about FASD (including the prevention, treatment, management, control and health effects of FASD); and  (e) undertaking research in relation to FASD;  as a measure to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (f) the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, particularly Articles 4, 8 and 25;  (g) the Convention on the Rights of the Child, particularly Articles 4, 18 and 21;  (h) the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12.  This objective also has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, medical services (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution). |
| 730 | Support for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime | To fund the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to support the operation of the Joint Global Programme on Access to Controlled Substances for Medical and Scientific Purposes, While Preventing Diversion and Non‑medical Use, as a measure with respect to places, persons, matters or things external to Australia or matters affecting Australia’s relations with foreign countries. |
| 731 | Supporting Living Organ Donors Program | To provide direct and indirect financial assistance to organ donors (including potential donors), including by:  (a) providing payments to the donor’s employer where paid leave has been taken by the donor; and  (b) providing payments to self‑employed donors for lost income; and  (c) reimbursing out‑of‑pocket travel and accommodation expenses for donors, their families and carers;  as a measure for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, sickness benefits (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution). |
| 732 | Primary Health Networks Commissioning of Multidisciplinary Teams | To increase access to health services and improve community health outcomes by funding Primary Health Networks to:  (a) commission multidisciplinary teams of health professionals, including allied health professionals, nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives and Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander health workers and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners, to arrange health services for selected patient cohorts; and  (b) deliver practice support to allied health, nursing, midwifery and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practices to improve the quality of health services and the capabilities of health professionals;  as a measure to give effect to Australia’s obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12.  This objective also has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians. |
| 733 | Administration and Delivery of Services for the National Diabetes Services Scheme | To assist in the administration and delivery of services for the National Diabetes Services Scheme, including by:  (a) ensuring access to products required by people with diabetes; and  (b) facilitating support, training and outreach for health professionals working with people with diabetes; and  (c) providing advice in relation to diabetes and the operation of the National Diabetes Services Scheme; and  (d) providing other supports to people with diabetes, including educational activities and general information on diabetes management.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, sickness benefits (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution); or  (b) to give effect to, or incidental to the giving of effect to, Australia’s obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12; or  (c) undertaken in the exercise of the executive power of the Commonwealth. |
| 734 | Rural and Remote Pharmacy Workforce Program | To support, improve and expand the pharmacy workforce in rural and remote areas by funding the following:  (a) financial support for pharmacists in rural and remote areas to access continuing professional development, including assistance with travel and accommodation costs;  (b) incentives for pharmacy owners or eligible hospital authorities to offer intern year placements for pharmacy graduates in rural and remote pharmacies;  (c) financial support to enable community pharmacies in rural and remote areas to retain newly registered pharmacists beyond their initial intern period;  (d) training allowances for pharmacy interns in rural and remote areas;  (e) direct access to emergency locum pharmacist services for pharmacies in rural and remote areas;  (f) financial support to students from rural and remote communities undertaking undergraduate or postgraduate studies in pharmacy;  (g) provision of rural pharmacist mentors to Indigenous students, or students from rural and remote locations, in order to encourage the pursuit of studies in pharmacy, and to provide guidance and support during each year of their studies;  (h) financial support to Australian universities to facilitate pharmacy student placements in rural and remote communities, including assistance with travel and accommodation costs;  (i) administrative support for pharmacy schools to administer rural and remote placement programs;  (j) support for pharmacists and pharmacy students practising and working in rural and remote areas, including programs to support clinical placements and promote intra‑professional collaboration;  as a measure to give effect to Australia’s obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12.  This objective also has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, medical services, pharmaceutical benefits or benefits to students (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution); or  (b) with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians. |
| 735 | Medication Management Reviews and Quality Use of Medicines Program | To support the quality use of medicines and the minimisation of adverse medicine events by:  (a) assisting people to understand and manage their medicines through medication reviews conducted by credentialed pharmacists:  (i) in the home, including through initiatives to provide access to medication reviews in rural and remote areas; and  (ii) in residential aged care facilities; and  (b) supporting services and activities of pharmacists that facilitate the quality use of medicines in residential aged care facilities; and  (c) supporting the quality use of medicines in relation to services provided by Indigenous Health Services and associated service providers.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under the Internation Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, particularly Articles 2 and 12; or  (b) for the provision of, or incidental to the provision of, medical services or pharmaceutical benefits (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxiiiA) of the Constitution); or  (c) with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians. |
| 736 | Indigenous Pharmacy Workforce Program | To encourage and assist participation in the pharmacy workforce by Indigenous Australians by providing:  (a) scholarships to Indigenous students for undergraduate or graduate entry studies in pharmacy; and  (b) funding to eligible pharmacies that employ and support Indigenous pharmacy assistants to enable the pharmacy assistants to complete pharmacy assistant training. |