

# STATES OF JERSEY



## **DRAFT HEALTH INSURANCE (MEDICAL BENEFIT) (AMENDMENT No. 4) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS 201-**

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**Lodged au Greffe on 10th May 2011  
by the Minister for Social Security**

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### **REPORT**

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The Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967 collects contributions (2% in total) from employers, employees and the self-employed, and uses this money to pay for medical and pharmaceutical benefits and the administration of the Law.

General practice in Jersey is provided by private businesses and General Practitioner consultation fees are set by each practice and not by Government. Under the Health Insurance legislation, the medical benefit provides financial assistance to insured people for General Practitioner consultation fees.

In accordance with the agreement with General Practitioners in proposing P.36/2010 (Draft Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 201-), the Minister is committed to an annual increase in medical benefit in line with relevant increases of RPI.

As medical services are exempt from GST, the relevant index is RPI(Y), which excludes the impact of indirect taxes. The increase in the RPI(Y) index between March 2010 and March 2011 is 3.1%.

#### **Financial and manpower implications**

The changes have an estimated additional annual cost to the Health Insurance Fund of £200,000 per annum. There are no manpower implications.

## Explanatory Note

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These draft Regulations would increase the general rate of medical benefit for the provision of medical services from £19 to £19.59. The rate was last increased on 17th May 2010.



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*Made* *[date to be inserted]*

*Coming into force* *[date to be inserted]*

**THE STATES**, in pursuance of Articles 9 and 36 of the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967<sup>1</sup>, have made the following Regulations –

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### **1 Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 2005 amended**

In the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 2005<sup>2</sup> –

- (a) in Regulation 2(1) for the amount “£19” there shall be substituted the amount “£19.59”;
- (b) in Regulation 4 for the date “17th May 2010” there shall be substituted the date these Regulations come into force.

### **2 Citation and commencement**

These Regulations may be cited as the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Regulations 201- and shall come into force on the day after the day they are made.

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- <sup>1</sup> *chapter 26.500*  
<sup>2</sup> *chapter 26.500.18*