STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT HEALTH INSURANCE (MEDICAL BENEFIT) (AMENDMENT No. 60) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS 200

Lodged au Greffe on 30th November 2004 by the Employment and Social Security Committee

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REPORT

The purpose of these Regulations is to increase the amount that can be claimed by recipients of Health Insurance Exception (HIE) on the occasion of medical services provided by a general practitioner approved under the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967, with effect from 1st January 2005.

The proposed rates represent an average increase across all services of 4%. Based on the pattern of usage of services in 2004, the result of these changes is expected to cost an additional £50,000 in 2005, 60% (£30,000) of which is met by the Health Insurance Fund and 40% (£20,000) from general revenues. However, the true cost of the Scheme is dependent on the number of recipients and actual service usage and is expected to be met from within allocated cash limits. As at 31st October 2004, there were 3,989 HIE recipients.

Note: The Finance and Economics Committee notes that the financial implications of these benefit increases will be met from the existing cash limit of the Employment and Social Security Committee.

Explanatory Note

These Regulations would increase by 4 per cent the amount that can be claimed by a recipient of the Health Insurance Exception for the provision of medical services after 1st January 2005 by a medical practitioner approved under the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967.



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Made
Coming into force

[date to be inserted]
1st January 2005

THE STATES, in pursuance of Articles 18 and 46 of the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967, have made the following Regulations –

1 Schedule substituted

- (1) For the Schedule to the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 1967^[2] there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- (2) The rates of benefit that are prescribed in the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations shall apply in relation to medical services provided by an approved medical practitioner on or after 1st January 2005.
- (3) The rates of benefit that shall apply in relation to medical services provided by an approved medical practitioner before 1st January 2005 shall be determined as if these Regulations had not been made.

2 Repeal

The Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 59) (Jersey) Regulations 2004 shall be repealed.

3 Citation and commencement

- (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 60) (Jersey) Regulations 200-.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st January 2005.

SCHEDULE

(Regulation 1(1))

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(Regulation 2(2) and (3))

| A. | Rates of benefit in respect of medical services generally | |
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| | Service | Rate of benefit |
| | | £ |
| (1) | For medical services provided at the approved medical practitioner's surgery | 18.05 |
| (2) | For medical services provided elsewhere than at the approved medical practitioner's surgery, on any day other than a Sunday or public holiday, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. | 29.95 |
| (3) | For medical services provided elsewhere than at the approved medical practitioner's surgery – | |
| | (a) on a Sunday or public holiday, or | |
| | (b) on any day, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 8 a.m. the following day | 72.80 |
| (4) | Where medical services are provided for an insured person as specified in item (2) or item (3), for medical services provided, on the same premises and during the same visit, for | |
| | another insured person | 18.05 |

| B. | Additional rates of benefit in respect of particular medical services | | |
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| | Service | Rate of benefit | |
| | | £ | |
| (1) | Injection (where drug supplied by medical practitioner and syringe of disposable type used) | 7.15 | |
| (2) | Blood test | 7.15 | |
| (3) | Insertion of vaginal ring pessary (where appliance supplied by medical practitioner) | 7.75 | |
| (4) | Stitching of minor wound, etc. | 7.15 | |
| (5) | Minor operations (where no anaesthetic is used, or local anaesthetic only is used, and including the cost of stitching but excluding the cost of any anaesthetic used) | 24.90 | |
| (6) | Electrocardiogram | 33.80 | |
| (7) | Ear syringing | 7.15 | |
| (8) | Pregnancy urine test | 15.70 | |
| (9) | Letter from a medical practitioner to a consultant or specialist at the General Hospital referring a patient for examination | 7.15 | |
| (10) | Cervical smear | 7.75 | |
| (11) | Cryo-surgery | 7.15". | |

[1] Recueil des Lois, Volume 1966-1967, pages 550 and 578 and Volume 1984-1985, page 210.

^[2] Nos. 5005 and 16/2004.

^[3] No. 111/2004.