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WORKERS COMPENSATION ACT 1987—REGULATION

(Relating to charges for hospital treatment)

NEW SOUTH WALES



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HIS Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, and with the concurrence of the Minister for Health, and in pursuance of the Workers Compensation Act 1987, has been pleased to make the Regulation set forth hereunder.

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Attorney General and Minister for Industrial Relations.

The Workers Compensation (General) Regulation 1987 is amended by omitting clause 10BB (and the Table to that clause) and by inserting instead the following clause (and Table):

Prescribed rates for hospital treatment (s. 62 (1))

10BB. (1) For the purposes of section 62 (1) of the Act, the amount for which an employer is liable in respect of hospital treatment of a worker at a public hospital is, subject to subclause (2), the amount specified in the Table to this clause for the relevant classifications of public hospital and patient:

- (a) in the case of an in-patient—for each day (or part of a day) that the worker is such a patient at the hospital; and
- (b) in the case of an out-patient—for each occasion of service provided to the worker.

TABLE

Column 1	Column 2			
<i>Patient classification</i>	<i>Metropolitan (referral)</i>	<i>Metropolitan (non-referral)</i>	<i>Non-metropolitan</i>	<i>Psychiatric</i>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Critical care patient	1605	930	740	
In-patient (other than critical care patient)	645	485	450	270
Out-patient	70	55	45	45

(2) For the purposes of section 62 (1) of the Act, the amount for which an employer is liable in respect of hospital treatment of a worker at a brain and spine special treatment centre at a public hospital is \$550 for each day (or part of a day) that the worker is such a patient at the hospital.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The objects of this Regulation are:

- (a) to increase by between 3.9% and 4.7% the charges for which an employer is liable for the treatment of a workers compensation inpatient in a New South Wales public hospital classified as metropolitan, non-metropolitan or psychiatric; and
- (b) to prescribe an amount of \$550 per day as the charge for which an employer is liable for treatment of a workers compensation patient at a brain and spine special treatment centre at a public hospital.

The Regulation is made under the Workers Compensation Act 1987, in particular section 62.