

# Public Health Amendment (Avian Influenza) Regulation 2005

under the

Public Health Act 1991

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Public Health Act 1991*.

FRANK SARTOR, M.P., Acting Minister for Health

#### **Explanatory note**

The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Public Health Act 1991*:

- (a) to include avian influenza in humans in the list of medical conditions in Schedule 1 to the Act that must be notified by medical practitioners and laboratories to the Director-General of the Department of Health (the *Director-General*), and
- (b) to require a person suffering from avian influenza to take reasonable precautions against spreading the condition, and
- (c) to allow the Director-General to order a person to undergo a medical examination if he or she suspects on reasonable grounds that the person is suffering from avian influenza, and
- (d) to allow an authorised medical practitioner who is satisfied on reasonable grounds that a person is suffering from avian influenza to make a public health order in respect of the person, and
- (e) to include avian influenza in humans in the list of diseases in Schedule 3 to the Act that must be notified by hospitals to the Director-General.

This Regulation is made under the *Public Health Act 1991*, including sections 80 and 82 (the general regulation-making power).

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### 1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Public Health Amendment (Avian Influenza)* Regulation 2005.

#### 2 Amendment of Public Health Act 1991 No 10

The Public Health Act 1991 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Amendments Schedule 1

# Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 2)

#### [1] Schedule 1 Scheduled medical conditions

Insert in alphabetical order in Categories 2, 3 and 4: Avian influenza in humans

## [2] Schedule 3 Notifiable diseases

Insert in alphabetical order:

Avian influenza in humans