



New South Wales

Private Hospitals Amendment (Podiatrists) Regulation 2006

under the

Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988*.

JOHN HATZISTERGOS, M.L.C.,
Minister for Health

Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Private Hospitals Regulation 1996* to permit a podiatrist, who is an accredited podiatrist within the meaning of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* of the Commonwealth, to perform procedures on a patient at a private hospital and to have charge of any such patient's care.

This Regulation is made under the *Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988*, including sections 7 and 55 (the general regulation-making power).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Private Hospitals Amendment (Podiatrists) Regulation 2006*.

2 Amendment of Private Hospitals Regulation 1996

The *Private Hospitals Regulation 1996* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 2)

[1] Clause 4 Definitions

Insert in alphabetical order in clause 4 (1):

podiatrist means an accredited podiatrist within the meaning of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* of the Commonwealth.

[2] Schedule 1 Licensing standards for all private hospitals

Insert “, and the approval of podiatrists,” after “dentists” in clause 13 (3) (a).

[3] Schedule 1, clause 14

Omit the clause. Insert instead:

14 Responsibilities of health practitioners

- (1) Each procedure performed at the private hospital is to be performed by an appropriately accredited medical practitioner or dentist or by a podiatrist.
- (2) If a procedure involves the administration of a general, spinal, epidural, major field block or large field infiltration anaesthetic or intravenous sedative, the patient is to be attended throughout the procedure by an appropriately accredited medical practitioner who is not the person performing the procedure.
- (3) A medical practitioner, dentist or podiatrist is to be responsible for selecting patients suitable for treatment by the medical practitioner, dentist or podiatrist at the private hospital, subject to:
 - (a) the class or classes of the private hospital and the limitations (if any) on the services that may be provided there, and
 - (b) the clinical responsibilities of the medical practitioner, dentist or podiatrist, and
 - (c) the maintenance of high professional standards.

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Schedule 1 Amendments

- [4] Schedule 1, clauses 18 (4) (b), 33 (5), 40 (2) (l) and (3), 42 (3) (a) and 43 (3)**
Omit “or dentist” wherever occurring. Insert instead “, dentist or podiatrist”.
- [5] Schedule 1, clause 40 (2) (j) and (3)**
Omit “or dental” wherever occurring. Insert instead “, dental or podiatric”.

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