



Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2016 Commencement Order 2017

Patsy Reddy, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 7th day of August 2017

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

This order is made under section 2(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2016 on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council.

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This order is the Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2016 Commencement Order 2017.

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The Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2016 comes into force on 31 January 2018.

Michael Webster,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order brings the Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2016 into force on 31 January 2018. That Act amends the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 to extend the exemption from the general prohibition on health practitioners prescribing, administering, or supplying a controlled drug to a person who the health practitioner has reason to believe is dependent on that drug or any other controlled drug. The exemption is extended to apply to nurse practitioners and designated prescriber nurses on substantially the same terms as the exemption applies to medical practitioners.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.
Date of notification in *Gazette*: 10 August 2017.
This order is administered by the Ministry of Health.