

Infectious and Notifiable Diseases Order 1996

PURSUANT to section 3(a) of the Health Act 1956, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following order.

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Order

1 Title and commencement

- (1) This order may be cited as the Infectious and Notifiable Diseases Order 1996.
- (2) This order shall come into force on the 28th day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

2 Infectious diseases notifiable to Medical Officer of Health and local authority

- (1) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as substituted by section 5 of the Health Amendment Act 1982 and amended by the Infectious Diseases Order 1983¹ and by the Infectious Diseases

¹ SR 1983/146

Order 1986²) is hereby amended by omitting from Section A of Part I the Items relating to—

- (a) Amoebiasis:
- (b) Anthrax:
- (c) Brucellosis:
- (d) Diphtheria:
- (e) Dysentery (see amoebiasis and shigellosis):
- (f) Enteric fever—typhoid, paratyphoid:
- (g) Hepatitis B:
- (h) Hepatitis non A or B:
- (i) Leptospirosis:
- (j) Meningococcal infection:
- (k) Plague—bubonic, pneumonic, or septicaemic:
- (l) Poliomyelitis:
- (m) Psittacosis:
- (n) Rabies:
- (o) Relapsing fever:
- (p) Smallpox:
- (q) Trachoma:
- (r) Typhus:
- (s) Yellow fever.

- (2) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted and amended) is hereby further amended by inserting in Section A of Part 1, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following items:

“Acute gastroenteritis.

“Campylobacteriosis.

“Cryptosporidiosis.

“Giardiasis.

“Legionellosis.

“Listeriosis.

“Typhoid and paratyphoid fever.

“Yersiniosis.”

3 Infectious diseases notifiable to Medical Officer of Health

- (1) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as substituted by section 5 of the Health Amendment Act 1982 and amended by the In-

² SR 1986/195

fectious Diseases Order 1983 and by the Infectious Diseases Order 1986) is hereby further amended by omitting from Section B of Part 1 the items relating to—

- (a) Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome:
- (b) Campylobacter infection:
- (c) Congenital rubella:
- (d) Encephalitis:
- (e) Lassa fever:
- (f) Legionellosis:
- (g) Listeriosis:
- (h) Marburg virus-like disease:
- (i) Neonatal infection:
- (j) Puerperal infection:
- (k) Rheumatic fever.

- (2) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted and amended) is hereby further amended by inserting in Section B of Part 1, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following items:

- “Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome.
- “Anthrax.
- “Arboviral diseases.
- “Brucellosis.
- “Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease and other spongiform encephalopathies.
- “Diphtheria.
- “Haemophilus influenzae b.
- “Hepatitis B.
- “Hepatitis C.
- “Hepatitis (viral) not otherwise specified.
- “Hydatid disease.
- “Leptospirosis.
- “Malaria.
- “Measles.
- “Mumps.
- “Neisseria meningitidis invasive disease.
- “Pertussis.
- “Plague.
- “Poliomyelitis.
- “Rabies.
- “Rheumatic fever.

“Rickettsial diseases.
“Rubella.
“Tetanus.
“Viral haemorrhagic fevers.
“Yellow fever.”

4 Other infectious diseases

- (1) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as substituted by section 5 of the Health Amendment Act 1982 and amended by the Infectious Diseases Order 1983 and by the Infectious Diseases Order 1986) is hereby amended by omitting from Part 2 the items relating to—
- (a) Varicella (chicken pox):
 - (b) Dermatophytosis (tinea):
 - (c) Erysipelas:
 - (d) Giardiasis:
 - (e) Rubella, other than congenital rubella:
 - (f) Morbilli (measles):
 - (g) Herpes zoster (shingles):
 - (h) Mumps—epidemic parotitis:
 - (i) Nocardiosis:
 - (j) Non-gonococcal urethritis:
 - (k) Pneumonia:
 - (l) Streptococcal sore throat—including scarlet fever:
 - (m) Whooping cough—pertussis:
 - (n) Yersiniosis:
 - (o) Viral gastroenteritis.
- (2) Schedule 1 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted and amended) is hereby further amended by inserting in Part 2, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following items:

“Non-specific urethritis.
“Streptococcal infection Group A.
“Varicella-zoster infection.”

5 Diseases notifiable to Medical Officer of Health (other than notifiable infectious diseases)

- (1) Schedule 2 to the Health Act 1956 (as substituted by section 6 of the Health Amendment Act 1982) is hereby amended by omitting all the items in Section A.

- (2) Schedule 2 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted) is hereby further amended by inserting in Section A the following items:

“Cysticercosis.

“Taeniasis.

“Trichinosis.

“Decompression sickness.

“Lead absorption equal to or in excess of 15 µg/dl.

“Poisoning arising from chemical contamination of environment.”

- (3) Schedule 2 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted) is hereby further amended by omitting from Section B the items relating to—

(a) Actinomycosis:

(b) Ancylostomiasis:

(c) Decompression sickness arising from recreation:

(d) Dengue fever:

(e) Eclampsia:

(f) Food poisoning—all forms:

(g) Hydatid disease:

(h) Lead absorption:

(i) Malaria:

(j) Ross River fever:

(k) Schistosomiasis:

(l) Tetanus.

- (4) Schedule 2 to the Health Act 1956 (as so substituted) is hereby further amended by inserting in Section B, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following items:

“Decompression sickness.

“Lead absorption equal to or in excess of 15 µg/dl.”

6 Revocations

The Infectious Diseases Order 1983 and the Infectious Diseases Order 1986 are hereby consequentially revoked.

MARIE SHROFF,

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, which comes into force 28 days after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*, makes various amendments to the First and Second Schedules to the Health Act 1956.

Clause 2 amends the list of infectious diseases notifiable to a Medical Officer of Health and local authority.

Clause 3 amends the list of infectious diseases notifiable to a Medical Officer of Health.

Clause 4 amends the list of other infectious diseases.

Clause 5 amends the list of diseases notifiable to a Medical Officer of Health (other than notifiable infectious diseases).

Name changes for some diseases and organisms are also recognised by the amendments.

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