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Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation (Public Health Acute Services) Regulations 2002

(SR 2002/71)

Silvia Cartwright, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 18th day of March 2002

Present:
Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 322(2) of the Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation Act 2001, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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The Parliamentary Counsel Office has made editorial and format changes to this version using the powers under subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019.

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment.

Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation (Public Health Acute Services) Regulations 2002.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 July 2002.

3 Interpretation

(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

Act means the Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation Act 2001

acute admission has the same meaning as in section 74(4) of the Act

emergency transport has the same meaning as in regulation 3 of the Accident Compensation (Ancillary Services) Regulations 2002

outpatient has the meaning set out in subclause (2)

personal health services has the same meaning as in section 4 of the Healthy Futures (Pae Ora) Act 2022; and **services** has a corresponding meaning.

(2) A person is an **outpatient** in relation to a healthcare facility if—

(a) the person receives from a medical practitioner a pre-admission assessment, a diagnostic procedure, or treatment at the facility; and

(b) the person has not been admitted to the facility; and

(c) the medical practitioner intends that the person will leave the facility within 3 hours after the consultation begins.

Regulation 3(1) **emergency transport**: amended, on 1 April 2014, by regulation 7 of the Accident Compensation (Ancillary Services) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/29).

Regulation 3(1) **personal health services**: amended, on 10 July 2026, by section 41(2) of the Healthy Futures (Pae Ora) Amendment Act 2026 (2026 No 40).

Regulation 3(1) **personal health services**: amended, on 1 July 2022, by section 104 of the Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022 (2022 No 30).

Regulation 3(2)(a): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Regulation 3(2)(c): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

4 Definition of public health acute services

(1) For the purposes of the Act, **public health acute services**, in relation to treatment of a claimant for a personal injury for which he or she has cover, means any of the following personal health services:

(a) services provided as part of an acute admission:

(b) services provided as part of an emergency department presentation, and any subsequent services provided by the emergency department within 7 days after that presentation:

(c) outpatient services that are provided by a medical practitioner and associated with services described in paragraph (a) if those outpatient services are provided within 6 weeks after the day of discharge:

(d) outpatient services that are provided by a medical practitioner and associated with services described in paragraph (b) if those outpatient services are provided within 6 weeks after the day of treatment:

(e) services that are provided by a medical practitioner less than 7 days after the date on which the claimant is referred for those services by another medical practitioner, other than—

(i) services associated with services described in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b); and

(ii) referrals to a radiologist by a medical practitioner who is providing treatment for which a payment or contribution is to be made under section 73 of the Act or under clause 1 of Schedule 1 of the Act:

(f) services that are ancillary to any of the services described in paragraphs (a) to (e), including non-emergency travel and accommodation for the claimant and an escort or support person for the claimant, but excluding emergency transport:

(g) services that relate to the provision of treatment described in paragraphs (a) to (f), including, for example, the provision of consumables, diagnostic imaging, and equipment.

(2) To avoid doubt, subclause (1) applies only to services that are purchased through the Minister of Health and provided by a publicly funded provider.

Regulation 4(1)(c): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Regulation 4(1)(d): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Regulation 4(1)(e): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Regulation 4(1)(e)(ii): amended, on 18 September 2004, by section 175(3) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Marie Shroff,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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Notes

1 General

This is a consolidation of the Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation (Public Health Acute Services) Regulations 2002 that incorporates the amendments made to the legislation so that it shows the law as at its stated date.

2 Legal status

A consolidation is taken to correctly state, as at its stated date, the law enacted or made by the legislation consolidated and by the amendments. This presumption applies unless the contrary is shown.

Section 78 of the Legislation Act 2019 provides that this consolidation, published as an electronic version, is an official version. A printed version of legislation that is produced directly from this official electronic version is also an official version.

3 Editorial and format changes

The Parliamentary Counsel Office makes editorial and format changes to consolidations using the powers under subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019. See also PCO editorial conventions for consolidations.

4 Amendments incorporated in this consolidation

Healthy Futures (Pae Ora) Amendment Act 2026 (2026 No 40): section 41(2)

Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022 (2022 No 30): section 104

Accident Compensation (Ancillary Services) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/29): regulation 7

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48): section 175(3)

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