

STATES OF JERSEY

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DRAFT HEALTH INSURANCE (MEDICAL BENEFIT) (AMENDMENT No. 59)(JERSEY) REGULATIONS 200

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REPORT

Medical benefit is a subsidy paid from the Health Insurance Fund, to individuals, towards the cost of medical services provided by a General Practitioner in Jersey. The subsidy is a standard rate across all consultations. The Committee is proposing a £2 increase to take effect from 1st October 2004. The fees charged by general practitioners have risen to cover their costs; however, the rate of subsidy has not increased since October 2002. This has led to some people, especially those with lower incomes and chronic ailments, having difficulty in affording the medical care they require. The estimated increase in cost to the Health Insurance Fund is £700,000. There are no staffing implications.

Explanatory Note

Regulation 1 increases the amount of the refund to which a patient of a medical practitioner is entitled from £13 to £15. This amount was last increased in 2002.

Regulation 2 specifies how these Regulations may be cited and that they are to come into force on 1st October 2004.



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Made

[date to be inserted]

Coming into force

1st October 2004

THE STATES, in pursuance of Articles 18 and 46 of the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967,^[1] have made the following Regulations –

1 Regulation 2 amended

In the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 1967,^[2] in Regulation 2(1), for the words “thirteen pounds” there shall be substituted the amount “£15”.

2 Citation and commencement

These Regulations may be cited as the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 59) (Jersey) Regulations 200- and shall come into force on 1st October 2004.

[1] *Recueil des Lois, Volume 1966-1967, pages 550 and 578 and Volume 1984-1985, page 210.*

[2] *Nos. 5005 and 117/2002.*