

**DRAFT HEALTH INSURANCE (MEDICAL BENEFIT) (AMENDMENT No. 53) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS
200-**

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The purpose of these Regulations is to increase the amount that can be claimed on the occasion of medical services provided by a general practitioner approved under the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967 to recipients of Health Insurance Exception (HIE). With effect from 1st January 2001, the rates for all services will be increased by 5.5%. Based on the usage of services in 1999, this increase is expected to cost an additional £55,000, 60% of which is met by the Health Insurance Fund and 40% from general revenues. However, the true cost, and therefore the whole cost of the Scheme, is dependent on the number of recipients and actual service usage. In 1999, there were 3,693 HIE recipients and a total of 49,074 consultations. During 2000, the number of recipients and corresponding consultations dropped to 3,546 and 45,720 respectively.

The Finance and Economics Committee supports the increases proposed.

Explanatory Note

The purpose of these Regulations is to increase the amounts of medical benefit payable in respect of specified medical services provided on or after 1st January 2001 by approved medical practitioners to persons who are exempt from liability to pay contributions under the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967. The increases approximate 5.5 per cent.

Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967

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No. 53) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS 200-

(Promulgated on the _____ day of _____ 200-)

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The _____ day of _____ 200-

THE STATES, in pursuance of Articles 18 and 46 of the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967,^[1] as amended,^[2] have made the following Regulations -

1.-(1) For the Schedule to the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 1967, as amended,^[3] there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) The rates of benefit prescribed in the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations shall apply in relation to medical services provided by an approved medical practitioner on or after the first day of January 2001.

2. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 53) (Jersey) Regulations 200-.

SCHEDULE

(Regulation 1)

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(Regulation 2(2) and (3))

A. Rates of benefit in respect of medical services generally

<i>Service</i>	<i>Rate of benefit £</i>
(1) For medical services provided at the approved medical practitioner's surgery	15.05
(2) For medical services provided elsewhere than at the approved medical practitioner's surgery, between the hours of eight o'clock in the morning and six o'clock in the evening, on any day other than a Sunday or public holiday	24.95
(3) For medical services provided elsewhere than at the approved medical practitioner's surgery on a Sunday or public holiday, or between the hours of six o'clock in the evening and eight o'clock in the morning of any day	44.40
(4) For medical services provided as specified in item (2) or item (3) above for any person, other than the first insured person, who received the service on the same premises, and during the same visit as the first insured person	15.05

B. Additional rates of benefit in respect of particular medical services

<i>Service</i>	<i>Rate of benefit £</i>
(1) Injection (where drug supplied by medical practitioner and syringe of disposable type used)	5.90
(2) Blood test	5.90
(3) Insertion of vaginal ring pessary (where appliance supplied by medical practitioner)	6.45
(4) Stitching of minor wound, etc.	5.90
(5) Minor operations (where no, or only local, anaesthetic is used and including the cost of stitching but excluding the cost of any anaesthetic used)	20.75
(6) Electrocardiogram	28.20
(7) Ear syringing	5.90
(8) Pregnancy urine test	13.10
(9) Letter from a medical practitioner to a consultant or specialist at the General Hospital referring a patient for examination	5.90
(10) Cervical smear	6.45
(11) Cryo-surgery	5.90 ”.

[1] Recueil des Lois, Volume 1966-1967, pages 550 and 578.

[2] Recueil des Lois, Volume 1984-1985, page 210.

[3] Nos. 5005 and 34/2000.