

## HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL SERVICES (CHARGES) REGULATIONS\*

- Citation.** 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations.\*
- Commencement.** 2. These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of October, 1955.
- Interpretation.** 3.—(1.) In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears—  
**Sub-reg. (1.) substituted by 1963, No. 1.** (a) “in-patient” means a person who occupies a bed in a hospital for the purposes of treatment;  
 (b) “out-patient” means a person who receives a medical service at a hospital other than as an in-patient; and  
 (c) “the Ordinance” means the *Hospitals and Medical Services Ordinance 1953-1962.*

\* The Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations, in force under the *Hospitals and Medical Services Ordinance 1953-1965*, comprise the following Regulations:—

Year and Number	Date on which made	Date notified in Northern Territory Government Gazette	Date of Commencement
1955, No. 6	15th September, 1955	28th September, 1955	(See r. 2 above)
1957, No. 1	8th February, 1957	27th February, 1957	(See Note 1 below)
1958, No. 17	27th November, 1958	31st December, 1958	(See Note 2 below)
1958, No. 19	10th December, 1958	7th January, 1959	7th January, 1959
1963, No. 1	24th January, 1963	25th January, 1963	(See Note 4 below)
1964, No. 4	28th February, 1964	11th March, 1964	11th March, 1964
1964, No. 17	9th December, 1964	23rd December, 1964	23rd December, 1964
1966, No. 4	7th March, 1966	9th March, 1966	9th March, 1966

*Note 1.*—Regulation 1 of Regulations 1957, No.1, reads as follows:—

“1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of March, 1957”

*Note 2.*—Regulation 1 of Regulations 1958, No. 17, reads as follows:—

“1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1959.”

*Note 3.*—Regulations 1958, No. 19, read as follows:—

“Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 1 of Regulations 1958, No. 17—

(a) the rates of charges prescribed by regulation 5 of the Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations as in force on the first day of November, 1958, continue to apply—

(i) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric ward—up to and including the thirty-first day of October, 1959; and

(ii) in any other case—up to and including the twenty-eighth day of February, 1959; and

(b) the rates of charges prescribed by regulation 5 of the Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations as amended by Regulations 1958, No. 17 shall apply—

(i) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric ward—on and after the first day of November, 1959; and

(ii) in any other case—on and after the first day of March, 1959.”

*Note 4.*—Regulation 1 of Regulations 1963, No. 1, reads as follows:—

“1.—(1.) The rates of charges prescribed by regulation 5 of the Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations as in force immediately before the commencement of these Regulations shall continue to apply—

(a) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric bed—up to and including the thirtieth day of September, 1963; and

(b) in any other case—up to and including the thirty-first day of January, 1963.

“(2.) The rates of charges prescribed by regulation 5 of the Hospitals and Medical Services (Charges) Regulations as amended by these Regulations shall apply—

(a) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric bed—on and after the first day of October, 1963; and

(b) in any other case—on and after the first day of February, 1963.

“(3.) Regulations 4, 7, 8 and 9 of these Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of February, 1963.”

Regulations 4, 7 and 8 of Regulations 1963, No. 1, affected regulations 6, 10 and the First Schedule to the Principal Regulations, respectively.

(2.) For the purposes of these Regulations—

Amended by  
1963, No. 1.

- (a) the day of admission to a hospital and the day of discharge from the hospital, or the day of his death where the person dies in hospital, shall be counted together as one day; and
- (b) a child under the age of twelve months and the mother of that child, if they are in-patients at the same time, shall be deemed to be one in-patient.

4. For the purposes of these Regulations, the Minister may classify the beds of a hospital as general beds or intermediate beds and may, from time to time, vary the classification of the beds of a hospital.

Classification  
of wards.

5. The charge for accommodation, maintenance and treatment supplied to an in-patient is—

Charges for  
in-patients.  
Substituted by  
1957, No. 1;  
and  
1958, No. 17;  
amended by  
1963, No. 1.

- (a) Two pounds sixteen shillings per day where the in-patient occupies a general bed; and
- (b) Three pounds eleven shillings per day where the in-patient occupies an intermediate bed.

6. The charge for a dental treatment supplied to a person, being a dental treatment specified in the second column of the First Schedule to these Regulations, is the amount specified in the third column of that Schedule opposite to that treatment.

Charges for  
dental  
treatment.  
Substituted by  
1963, No. 1;  
amended by  
1964, No. 17.

7. The charge for a medical service provided for an out-patient, being a service specified in the second column of the Second Schedule to these Regulations, is the amount specified in the third column of that Schedule opposite to that service.

Charges for  
specified  
medical  
services.  
Inserted by  
1957, No. 1;  
substituted by  
1963, No. 1;  
and  
1964, No. 17.

8. The charge for a course of treatment by physiotherapy supplied to a person other than an in-patient in a general ward is Ten shillings for the first visit and Five shillings for each subsequent visit during each period for which the person receives that course of treatment.

Charges for  
physiotherapy.  
Inserted by  
1957, No. 1;  
amended by  
1963, No. 1.

9. The charge for nursing treatment given to a person other than an in-patient in a general ward is Five shillings for each visit by the nurse.

Charges for  
nursing  
treatment.  
Inserted by  
1957, No. 1;  
amended by  
1964, No. 4.

10.—(1.) For the purposes of sub-section (2.) of section 5A of the Ordinance, the charge for the provision of transport by land ambulance is Twelve shillings and sixpence.

Charges for  
transport.

(2.) For the purposes of sub-section (5.) of section 5A of the Ordinance, the prescribed charge in respect of the transport of a person or an attendant is Twenty pounds or the cost to the Commonwealth of the transport of the person or the attendant, whichever is the less.

Inserted by  
1957, No. 1;  
substituted by  
1963, No. 1.

Heading amended by 1964, No. 17.  
First Schedule substituted by 1963, No. 1; and 1966, No. 4.

## THE SCHEDULES.

## FIRST SCHEDULE.

Regulation 6.

## CHARGES FOR DENTAL TREATMENT

Column 1. Item No.	Column 2. Dental Treatment.	Column 3. Charge.
		\$
1	Extraction of one tooth . . . . .	2.10
2	Extraction of more than one tooth without general anaesthetic—	
	(a) for the first tooth . . . . .	2.10
	(b) for each additional tooth . . . . .	1.05
3	Oral surgery—per operation . . . . .	6.30
4	Fillings, namely—	
	(a) amalgam, porcelain, cement or synthetic fillings—	
	(i) involving one surface . . . . .	3.25
	(ii) involving two surfaces . . . . .	3.75
	(iii) involving three surfaces . . . . .	4.50
	(b) root filling and therapy—	
	(i) involving one tooth . . . . .	6.00
	(ii) involving more than one tooth . . . . .	9.00
	(c) inlay in which gold or other precious metal is used . . . . .	13.50
5	Providing a crown—	
	(a) in which gold or other precious metal is used . . . . .	16.80
	(b) in any other case . . . . .	10.50
6	Providing a bridge—per unit . . . . .	16.80
7	Prophylactic scaling and cleaning . . . . .	3.00
8	Treatment for gingival infection—	
	(a) where four or more visits are necessary . . . . .	12.00
	(b) in any other case, per visit . . . . .	3.05
9	Providing a full upper or lower denture . . . . .	38.00
10	Providing a full upper and lower denture . . . . .	68.50
11	Providing a partial denture consisting of one or two teeth . . . . .	16.00
12	Providing a partial denture consisting of more than two teeth—	
	(a) for the first two teeth . . . . .	16.00
	(b) for each additional tooth . . . . .	2.50
13	Addition of new teeth to an existing partial denture, per tooth . . . . .	5.50
14	Repairing fractured denture . . . . .	4.00
15	Replacing one tooth on a denture . . . . .	4.50
16	Replacing two teeth on a denture . . . . .	7.00
17	Replacing three teeth on a denture . . . . .	10.00
18	Replacing four or more teeth on a denture . . . . .	12.00
19	Replacing stainless steel clasp . . . . .	5.50
20	Replacing gold clasp . . . . .	7.50
21	Relining of a denture by processing . . . . .	16.00
22	X-ray examination in connection with dental treatment (including a written report on such examination, if required)—	
	(a) up to two films . . . . .	2.25
	(b) for each additional film . . . . .	0.80
	(c) for X-ray examination of full mouth (14 films) . . . . .	11.25
	(d) extra oral—	
	(i) one side . . . . .	4.20
	(ii) two sides . . . . .	8.40

## SECOND SCHEDULE.

Regulation 7.

Second Schedule  
added by  
1964, No. 17.

## CHARGES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED FOR OUT-PATIENTS

Column 1. Item No.	Column 2. Medical Service.	Column 3. Charge.
		£ s. d.
	<b>PART 1.—PROFESSIONAL ATTENDANCES FOR WHICH A CHARGE IS NOT PROVIDED BY ANY OTHER ITEM IN THIS SCHEDULE</b>	
1.	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner, including a specialist in the practice of his specialty—each attendance	13 6
	<b>PART 2.—MIDWIFERY</b>	
2.	Antenatal care, where attendances do not exceed six—each attendance .. .. .	13 6
3.	Antenatal care, where attendances exceed six .. .. .	4 14 6
	<b>PART 3.—RADIOLOGICAL SERVICES</b>	
	<i>Division 1.—Radiographic Examination of Extremities and Report.</i>	
4.	Digits or phalanges—all or any of either hand or either foot ..	17 0
5.	Hand, wrist, forearm, elbow or arm (elbow to shoulder) ..	1 13 6
6.	Hand, wrist and lower forearm; upper forearm and elbow; or elbow and arm (elbow to shoulder) .. .. .	1 13 6
7.	Foot, ankle, lower leg, upper leg, knee or thigh .. .. .	1 13 6
8.	Foot, ankle and lower leg; or upper leg and knee .. .. .	1 13 6
	<i>Division 2.—Radiographic Examination of Shoulder or Hip Joint and Report.</i>	
9.	Shoulder Region, including clavicle and scapula .. .. .	1 13 6
10.	Hip Joint .. .. .	1 13 6
11.	Pelvic Girdle .. .. .	2 10 0
	<i>Division 3.—Radiographic Examination of Head and Report.</i>	
12.	Skull, sinuses or mastoids .. .. .	2 10 0
13.	Maxilla or orbit, or both .. .. .	2 10 0
14.	Mandible, malar bones or salivary calculus .. .. .	2 10 0
15.	Nose or eye .. .. .	1 13 6
16.	Larynx .. .. .	1 13 6
	<i>Division 4.—Radiographic Examination of Spine and Report.</i>	
17.	Spine—any one region .. .. .	2 10 0
	<i>Division 5.—Radiographic Examination of Thoracic Region and Report.</i>	
18.	Chest (lung fields) by direct radiography .. .. .	1 13 6
19.	Chest (lung fields) by direct radiography with fluoroscopic screening .. .. .	2 10 0
20.	Chest, by miniature radiography .. .. .	13 6
21.	Pleura .. .. .	1 13 6
22.	Orthodiagraphy .. .. .	1 13 6
23.	Teleoroentgenography with cardiac measurements .. .. .	1 13 6
24.	Cardiac examination (including barium swallow) .. .. .	2 10 0
25.	Cardiac measurements and kymography .. .. .	3 7 0
26.	Sternum or one or more ribs .. .. .	1 13 6
	<i>Division 6.—Radiographic Examination of Urinary Tract and Report.</i>	
27.	Plain renal .. .. .	1 13 6
28.	Intravenous pyelography .. .. .	5 0 0
29.	Cystography, urethrography or vesiculography .. .. .	4 3 6

## SECOND SCHEDULE—continued

Column 1. Item No.	Column 2. Medical Service.	Column 3. Charge.
		£ s. d.
	<i>Division 7.—Radiographic Examination of Alimentary Tract and Biliary System (with or without Fluoroscopy) and Report.</i>	
30.	Oesophagus, with or without examination for foreign body or barium swallow .. .. .	2 10 0
31.	Barium or other opaque meal of oesophagus, stomach and duodenum, with or without screening of chest .. .. .	3 7 0
32.	Plain abdominal .. .. .	2 10 0
33.	Barium or other opaque meal of oesophagus, stomach, duodenum and follow through to colon, with or without screening of chest .. .. .	4 3 6
34.	Opaque enema .. .. .	3 7 0
35.	Graham's test (cholecystography) .. .. .	3 7 0
36.	Cholangiography .. .. .	4 3 6
	<i>Division 8.—Radiographic Examination for Localization of Foreign Bodies and Report.</i>	
37.	Foreign body in eye (special method, Sweet's or other) ..	2 10 0
38.	Foreign body elsewhere than in eye—the amount specified for the radiographic examination of the area and report, plus .. .. .	17 0
	<i>Division 9.—Radiographic Examination of Breasts.</i>	
39.	Radiographic examination of breast or breasts and report ..	2 10 0
	<i>Division 10.—Radiographic Examination in Connexion with Pregnancy and Report.</i>	
40.	Pregnant Uterus .. .. .	2 10 0
41.	Pelvimetry .. .. .	4 3 6
	<i>Division 11.—Opaque or Contrast Media. Radiographic examination, with opaque or contrast media or report.</i>	
42.	Sinuses and fistulae—the amount specified for the radiographic examination of the area and report, plus .. .. .	17 0
	<i>Division 12.—Tomography.</i>	
43.	Tomography of any part and report .. .. .	3 7 0
	<i>Division 13.—Stereoscopic Examinations.</i>	
44.	Stereoscopic examination and report—the amount specified for the radiographic examination of the area and report, plus ..	17 0
	<i>Division 14.—Fluoroscopic Examinations. Fluoroscopic examination and report not covered by any other Item in this Schedule (where radiograph is not taken).</i>	
45.	Examination with general anaesthesia .. .. .	1 13 6
46.	Examination without general anaesthesia .. .. .	17 0
	<i>Division 15.—Radiotherapy.</i>	
47.	Radiotherapy (including treatment by means of X-rays, radium rays or other radio-active substances) not covered by any other item in this Schedule—each attendance at which treatment is given .. .. .	1 13 6
	<i>Division 16.—Moulds of Radio-active Substances.</i>	
48.	Alveolus, palate or antrum .. .. .	10 0 0
49.	Scar following radical mastectomy .. .. .	5 0 0
50.	Hand or other skin area .. .. .	5 0 0
	<b>PART 4.—MISCELLANEOUS PROCEDURES</b>	
51.	Electrocardiography .. .. .	1 13 6