# BERMUDA STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

# PUBLIC HEALTH (QUARANTINE STATIONS) REGULATIONS 1926

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# Quarantine stations under Chief Medical Officer

1 The Quarantine Stations shall be under the administration and control of the Chief Medical Officer who shall be responsible that the Stations are properly equipped and at all times ready for the reception of suitable cases.

# **Reception of cases**

2 The Quarantine Stations may be used for the reception and isolation of cases of infectious or contagious diseases and their contacts occurring within Bermuda or landed from ships, and these cases shall be under the direct care of the Chief Medical Officer, or his deputy, if no medical practitioner is in attendance.

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### Staff

3 (1) A caretaker and matron for each Quarantine Station shall be appointed to act under the orders of the Chief Medical Officer.

(2) Attendants and nurses shall be employed as required.

## Caretaker

4 (1) The caretaker in charge of each Quarantine Station shall be responsible to the Chief Medical Officer for the due execution of the duties thereat whether performed by himself personally or by any assistant for the cleanliness and good order of the Station generally, for the carrying out of the regulations for the time being in force, and of all the directions or orders given by the Chief Medical Officer.

(2) The caretakers shall have charge of all lands, buildings, apparatus, stores and other things belonging to, or supplied for, the use of the Quarantine Stations, being the property of the Government of Bermuda.

(3) An inventory of this property shall be furnished every January by each caretaker, or at such times as the Chief Medical Officer may require.

(4) Each caretaker shall likewise be answerable for all damage done, or loss arising from want of care or negligence on his part, or during his absence from the Station.

(5) The caretaker shall carry out such whitewashing, painting and other incidental work to the buildings as required by the Chief Medical Officer.

#### Matron

5 (1) A matron in charge of the wards and patients of each Quarantine Station shall be directly responsible to the Chief Medical Officer or medical practitioner in attendance for the proper performance of her duties.

(2) If a trained nurse is employed, she shall be responsible to the Chief Medical Officer or the medical practitioner in attendance for the nursing of the patients allotted to her.

#### Permission for absence; caretakers and matrons

6 The caretakers and matrons may be absent from the Quarantine Stations during such times as may be sanctioned by the Chief Medical Officer and subject to such conditions as he may impose.

# Visiting restricted

7 (1) No person other than any officer of the Department of Works and Engineering or of the Health Department shall visit either Quarantine Station, except with the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer which, in the case of Coney Island, shall be granted only to any immediate relative or other person having intimate personal relation with the person in isolation.

(2) Visitors may be allowed on Nonsuch Island during such period the Station is not in use for isolation cases or for quarantine purposes.

(3) Visitors to the Stations shall pay a fee of thirty cents for each night they pass at a Station.

#### **Presence of mothers**

8 (1) Mothers whose children have been admitted to either Quarantine Station, shall not be allowed to remain there without the sanction of the Chief Medical Officer.

(2) Those permitted to remain shall not leave the Station without special permission, and under no circumstances are they to be allowed to do so whilst wearing the same clothes as are worn whilst in attendance on their children, without being thoroughly disinfected.

#### **Disinfection of clothing**

9 On admission the patient's clothing and other articles likely to be infected, and not required for immediate use, shall at once be properly disinfected; and before leaving the Quarantine Station the clothing which had been in use during his stay shall be disinfected.

#### Permission to leave

10 Under no circumstances shall patients, or persons isolated, be allowed leave the grounds without the special permission of the Chief Medical Officer.

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