

BERMUDA

HEALTH INSURANCE (MISCELLANEOUS) AMENDMENT ACT 2014

2014:6

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Health Insurance Act 1970, and the Health Insurance (Standard Hospital Benefit) Regulations 1971; and to revoke the Health Insurance (Portability) Regulations 1971 and the Health Insurance (Portability of Subsidy) Regulations 1973:

Be it enacted by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of Bermuda, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Citation

1 This Act may be cited as the Health Insurance (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 2014.

Amends the Health Insurance Act 1970

- 2 The Health Insurance Act 1970 is amended—
 - (a) in section 2(1)(b) by deleting the words "four-fifths" and substituting the words "seven-tenths";
 - (b) in section 2(1)(bb) by deleting the words "nine-tenths" and substituting the words "four-fifths";
 - (c) by deleting section 3 and substituting the following—

"No entitlement to the receipt of a subsidy for hospital treatment received outside Bermuda

- Where any person receives hospital treatment outside Bermuda, he shall not be entitled to claim and recover a subsidy for such treatment."; and
 - (d) in section 3A by—

- (i) repealing paragraph (2);
- (ii) deleting paragraph (2A) and substituting the following—
- "(2A) There shall be paid out of the Mutual Re-Insurance Fund to—
 - (a) the Council;
 - (b) the Fund; or
 - (c) FutureCare Fund,

such sum as the Minister may, from time to time by order, prescribe.".

Amends the Health Insurance (Standard Hospital Benefit) Regulations 1971

- 3 The Health Insurance (Standard Hospital Benefit) Regulations 1971 is amended—
 - (a) in regulation 3 (viii) by inserting after the word "facilities" the words "when provided by the Bermuda Hospitals Board";
 - (b) by deleting regulation 4 and substituting the following—

"Limitation of benefit

- 4 Benefit in respect of in-patient treatment prescribed in regulation 2 shall, subject to regulation 8, apply without limit as to the duration of the period of confinement in hospital.";
 - (c) by deleting regulation 8 and substituting the following—
- "Standard hospital benefit not to extend to a hospital outside Bermuda
- 8 For the avoidance of doubt, standard hospital benefit shall not extend to cover treatment in a hospital outside Bermuda.";
 - (d) in regulation 9 by-
 - (i) deleting "\$325.84" and substituting "\$301.85";
 - (ii) deleting "\$75.19" and substituting "\$69.66";
 - (iii) deleting "\$43.57" and substituting "\$29.18";
 - (iv) deleting "\$10.05" and substituting "\$6.73"; and
 - (e) in regulation 10 by—
 - (i) deleting "\$1,303.36" and substituting "\$1,207.40";
 - (ii) deleting "\$300.78" and substituting \$278.63";
 - (iii) deleting "\$43.57" and substituting "\$29.18";
 - (iv) deleting "\$10.05" and substituting "\$6.73";
 - (f) in regulation 11—

- (i) in paragraph (1)(a)(i) by deleting "\$162.92" and substituting "\$150.93";
- (ii) in paragraph (1)(a)(ii) by deleting "\$37.60" and substituting "\$34.83";
- (iii) in paragraph (1)(b)(i) by deleting "\$651.68" and substituting \$603.70";
- (iv) in paragraph (1)(b)(ii) by deleting "\$150.39" and substituting "\$139.32"; and
- (g) in regulation 12—
 - (i) in paragraph (1)(a) by deleting "\$37.60" and substituting "\$34.83"; and
 - (ii) in paragraph (1)(b) by deleting "\$150.39" and substituting "\$139.32".

Revocations

- 4 The following Regulations are hereby revoked—
 - (a) Health Insurance (Portability) Regulations 1971; and
 - (b) Health Insurance (Portability of Subsidy) Regulations 1973.

Commencement

5 This Act shall come into operation on 1 April 2014.

[Assent Date: 26 March 2014]

[Operative Date: 01 April 2014]