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GENERAL NOTICES

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Memo on additional classes of patient no longer eligible for reduced fees

1. Subject

Announcements for the Gazette to indicate classes of patient no longer eligible for reduced fees from provincial hospitals.

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2. Purpose

To seek approval for an announcement to be placed in the Gazette by the Health Member of the Executive Council indicating additional classes of patient that will no longer be eligible for reduced fees from provincial hospitals.

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3. Discussion

- 3.1 From time to time notices are placed in the Gazette which indicate which classes of patient are not eligible for reduced fees from provincial hospitals. These announcements are referred to in terms of the Hospital Ordinance no.14 of 1958. Patients not eligible for reduced fees are referred to as "private patients" (where the full fee is charged for services rendered except the professional fee) and "private hospital patients" (where the full service fee is charged including the professional fee).
- 3.2 The Hospital Ordinance no. 14 of 1958, section 32(1), reads as follows:

 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Ordinance contained, any person who receives treatment at, or in or from a provincial hospital, shall be classified as a private patient (h) if he belongs to any other class which the Administrator [now Member of the Executive Council] has, by notice in the Provincial Gazette, declared to be not eligible for treatment at reduced rates.
- 3.3 The Department of Health is facing reduced budgets for all its services. As a consequence, the Department has to prioritise those services which it provides, and those which it chooses to provide at a discount.

- 3.4 Within this context services covered by a budget in another province, through statutory insurance funds of one sort or another, or by any other relevant third party should have to cover the full costs of any patient being treated by a provincial hospital. If this does not occur, the province runs the risk of not being able to fund services generally.
- 3.5 Applying the above measure is consistent with the principle of ensuring that costshifting does not occur with respect to any provincial health service. It also creates greater financial accountability, by ensuring that the patients are appropriately budgeted for by the relevant third-party.

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3.6 These provisions will not preclude the establishment of specific agreements or contracts with any third-party to achieve effective reimbursement by other means than direct billing, e.g. conditional grants. They will however form the default environment if no other agreement exists.

3.7 The particular provisions do not place any financial burden on the individual patients concerned. They only ensure that the full cost of the service is charged to people who are eligible, in one way or another, for the full costs to be reimbursed by a third party.

4. Recommendations

4.1 It is recommended that the following classes of patient be specifically identified by notice in the Gazette that they are not eligible for any discount:

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- 4.1.2 All patients eligible for reimbursement by the Road Accident Fund, in terms of the Road Accident Fund Act no. 56 OF 1996.
- 4.1.3 All patients referred from Provincial Health Services other than the Gauteng Department of Health.
- 4.1.4 All patients who have some form of medical cover other than a medical scheme. This would include patients referred from other government departments who are responsible for the costs.
- 4.2 It is recommended that notices by the Member of the Executive Council be placed in the Government Gazette In terms of Hospital Ordinance no. 14 of 1958, section 32(1), which read as follows:

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4.2.1 "in terms of section 32(1)(h) of the Hospital Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance 14 of 1958), the Member of the Executive Council hereby declares that all patients eligible for benefits in terms of the Road Accident Fund Act no. 56 OF 1996 to be a class not eligible for treatment at reduced rates."

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4.2.2 "in terms of section 32(1)(h) of the Hospital Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance 14 of 1958), the Member of the Executive Council hereby declares that all patients referred to this province for medical treatment in any provincial hospital by another provincial health service to be a class of patient not eligible for treatment at reduced rates."

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- 4.2.3 "in terms of section 32(1)(h) of the Hospital Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance 14 of 1958), the Member of the Executive Council hereby declares that all patients referred to a provincial hospital for treatment by any other government department, who are responsible for costs of treatment, to be a class of patient not eligible for treatment at reduced rates."
- 4.2.4 "in terms of section 32(1)(h) of the Hospital Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance 14 of 1958), the Member of the Executive Council hereby declares that all patients with some form of medical cover or insurance, whether statutory or otherwise, to be a class of patient not eligible for treatment at reduced rates."

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5. Organisational implications

None

6. Financial Implications

Increased revenue from patients covered by the Road Accident Fund.

7. Communication Implications

The Department would have to inform the relevant provinces, government departments and the Road Accident Fund.

8. Constitutional Implications

None.

9. Other Departments Consulted

Treasury has been consulted on the principles involved.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND LAND AFFAIRS

I, Dan Mofokeng, Member of the Executive Council of the Province of Gauteng responsible for Housing and Land Affairs in the Province, under section 14(4) of the Residential Landlord and Tenant Act, 1997 (Act No. 3 of 1997), hereby make applicable the Management and Control of Accommodation Hostels Regulations, 1998 to the hostels in the administration of Municipalities, which have requested this extension through resolution at their respective Councils, which are listed in this notice, with effect from the 30th April 1999.

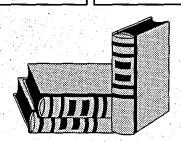
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| Alberton Town Council | Hostel 1: | Erf 8017 | Khumalo Street | Thokoza | | |
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| Alberton Town Council | Hostel 3 | Erf 8019 | Khumalo Street | Thokoza | | |
| Bronkhorstspruit Local Council | Zithobeni Hostel | Erf 820 | Mothibe Street | Zithobeni | | |
| Greater Benoni City Council | Wattville Hostel | No erf number | Reading Road | Portion of portion 126, Portion of | | |
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| Greater Johannesburg Metropolitan Council | Kelvin Power Station Hostel | Portion 52 of Farm Zuurfontein | Zuurfontein Road | | | |
| Heidelberg Town Council | Ratanda Old Hostel | Erf 2261 | Nkitsing Street | Ratanda | | |
| Heidelberg Town Council | Ratanda New Hostel | Erf 1187 | Protea Street | Ratanda | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Klipspruit Hostel | Erf1 | Mofokeng Street | Klipspruit | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Orlando Hostel | RE/50/318 IQ | Old Potch road | Orlando East | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Pimville Hostel | 317 IQ | Axle Road | Devland | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Antea Hostel | RE/41/224 | Maraisburg Road | Industria | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Northern Farm Hostel | 532 JQ | Lanseria Road | Diepsloot (Rietfontein) | | |
| Northern Metropolitan Substructure | Northern Works Hostel | No erf number | No Street Name | Next to the Klipspruit Sewer Works | | |
| Randfontien Local Council | Council Owned Hostel | Erf 3863 Erf 3865 Erf 3866 | Maleke Street | Mohakeng | | |
| Westonaria Local Council | Vestonaria Bekkersdal | | Godlo Street | Bekkersdal | | |

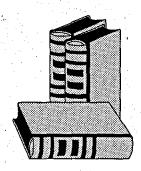
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