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PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CLINICS ACT (CHAPTER 248)

PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CLINICS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 22 of the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Act, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics (Amendment) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 1 May 2021.

Amendment of regulation 2

- **2.** Regulation 2(1) of the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Regulations (Rg 1) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "licensee", the following definitions:
 - ""living donor", in relation to a living donor organ transplant, means the living person from whom a specified organ is or will be removed for the purpose of transplantation into the body of another living person;
 - "living donor organ transplant" and "specified organ" have the meanings given by section 2 of the Human Organ Transplant Act (Cap. 131A);
 - "organ", in relation to a human body, means any organ of the human body;

- "part", in relation to a human body
 - (a) includes tissues, eyes, bones and blood vessels of a human body; but
 - (b) excludes blood and other fluids;"; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "renal dialysis centre", the following definition:
 - ""transplant-related clinical services" means the following:
 - (a) the selection and evaluation for suitability, for the purposes of a proposed living donor organ transplant, of an individual as a living donor or recipient of a specified organ;
 - (b) the medical evaluation and screening of an individual who is to undergo a transplant of any organ or part of a human body;
 - (c) the medical care and management of an individual who is undergoing or has undergone a transplant of any organ or part of a human body, including the recipient of a specified organ;
 - (d) the medical care and management, after a living donor organ transplant has been carried out, of a living donor of a specified organ;".

New regulation 14A

3. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 14, the following regulation:

"Nursing homes

- **14A.**—(1) Without affecting any other provision in this Part, a licensee of a nursing home must take all reasonable steps
 - (a) to ensure that every patient residing at the nursing home receives appropriate nursing care provided by the nursing home; and
 - (b) to ensure the safety and wellbeing, and protect the privacy, of every patient residing at the nursing home.
- (2) In paragraph (1)(b), "wellbeing", in relation to a patient residing at a nursing home, means the patient's wellbeing so far as relating to either of the following:
 - (a) personal dignity;
 - (b) physical, mental and emotional health.".

New regulation 29A

4. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 29, the following regulation:

"Radiological findings

- **29A.**—(1) This regulation applies to the licensee of a private hospital (other than a maternity home or nursing home) (called in this regulation the applicable hospital) in respect of the findings of a radiological examination (called in this regulation the radiological findings) of any patient of the applicable hospital, regardless of whether the radiological examination is conducted
 - (a) by the radiology service of the applicable hospital; or