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**THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN
CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**EPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDIES (CONFIDENTIALITY)
REGULATIONS 1992**

SUBORDINATE LAW NO. 19 OF 2000

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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Epidemiological Studies (Confidentiality) Regulations **Amendment 2000**

1. Commencement

Clause 1 : provides for the amending regulation to commence on the day of gazettal.

2 Regulations amended

Clause 2 : provides that these regulations amend existing regulations and do not create new regulations. The regulations to which this amendment applies are the *Epidemiological Studies (Confidentiality) Regulations*, Subordinate Law No. 24 of 1992, notified in the ACT Gazette on 9 November 1992.

3. Insertion

Prescribed study – Supervised Injecting Place Trial

Clause 3 inserts a title, 'Prescribed study *Supervised Injecting Place Trial* above regulation 7. The title reflects the content and purpose of regulation 7.

Clause 4 inserts a regulation (regulation 7) which references section 3 (1) the definition of 'prescribed study' subsection (b) of the principal Act, the *Epidemiological Studies (Confidentiality) Act 1992*, which requires that a study be declared by regulation to be a prescribed study for the purpose of the Act. In order for the study to be afforded the protection which the Act provides a study must be declared a prescribed study by regulation. This clause, at subregulation 7, has the effect of declaring the scientific trial known as the *Supervised Injecting Place Trial*, and a study that is part of or ancillary to to trial as prescribed studies, that is studies to which the Act applies.