

Canberra Hospital Ordinance (No 2) 1971

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENT OF CANBERRA HOSPITAL ORDINANCE 1938-1971

The Canberra Hospital Management Board has accepted an invitation from the Minister for Health to prepare the Woden Valley Hospital for use and occupation in 1973. The purpose of the amending Ordinance therefore is to extend the powers of the Board to enable it to undertake this new responsibility.

The additional powers will enable the Board to appoint and train staff and purchase supplies and equipment for the Woden Valley Hospital. Provision has also been made for the keeping of separate books of account and bank accounts for each hospital.

As this additional task will impose further demands on the time and energies of Board members, the Minister has approved the payment of sessional fees to all members of the Board. Special provision has been made for members of the Board who may be members of, or candidates for election to Parliament to be ineligible for fees but to be eligible for out-of-pocket expenses.

The opportunity has also been taken to delete from the Canberra Hospital Ordinance, all reference to the ambulance service which, since February 1968, has been run by the Department of Health.

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Authority : The Minister for Health
vide Section 12 of the
Seat of Government
(Administration) Act
1910-1970.