

## Explanatory Memorandum

### Amendment of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations

No. 4 of 1971

The Minister for Health has amended the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations so as to increase charges for in-patient treatment at the Hospital to \$15.00 per day for a patient in a general ward, and \$26.30 per day for a patient in a private ward. A new rate of \$30 per day is to be charged for all in-patients who have an enforceable claim for compensation or damages, irrespective of the ward in which treatment is given. The new charges will cover the cost of ancillary hospital charges except charges for which medical benefits are provided under the National Health Act 1953-1970 and will come into effect on 1 August 1971.