

Charges for
in-patients.

REGULATIONS 1961. No. 2.‡

1. Regulation 5 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations is amended—

(a) by omitting sub-regulation (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-regulation:—

“(1.) Subject to regulation 9 of these Regulations, the charge for treatment provided by the Board for an in-patient is at the rate of—

- (a) Two pounds four shillings per day in respect of an in-patient in a general ward;
- (b) Three pounds eleven shillings per day in respect of an in-patient in an intermediate ward; and
- (c) Four pounds fifteen shillings per day in respect of an in-patient in a private ward.”; and

(b) by inserting in sub-regulation (2.), after the word “of”, the words “radiological services or of”.

* Regulations 1952, No. 12, as amended by Regulations 1953, No. 16; 1954, No. 13; 1955, No. 6; 1956, No. 8; 1958, Nos. 4, 13 and 14; and 1959, No. 12.

† Made under the *Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance* 1938–1959 on 21st June, 1960; notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* and commenced on 11th August, 1960.

‡ Made under the *Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance* 1938–1959 on 19th January, 1961 and notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* on 26th January, 1961. Regulations 1 and 5 of these Regulations commenced on 26th January, 1961 and regulations 2, 3 and 4 commenced on 1st February, 1961 (see regulation 5 (3.) of these Regulations).

2. Regulation 8 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-regulations:—

Charges for other services.

“(4.) The charge for a drug or medicinal preparation, being a drug or medicinal preparation to which Part VII. of the *National Health Act* 1953-1959 applies, supplied to an out-patient is, subject to the next succeeding sub-regulation—

- (a) Five shillings; or
- (b) if the Commonwealth price of the drug or medicinal preparation as determined under section 99 of the *National Health Act* 1953-1959 is less than Five shillings—the amount of the Commonwealth price as so determined.

“(5.) A charge is not payable under the last preceding sub-regulation for a drug or medicinal preparation administered to an out-patient as part of the treatment received by the out-patient at the Hospital.”.

3. Regulation 9 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations is amended—

Charges where patient entitled to compensation or damages.

- (a) by omitting paragraph (a) of sub-regulation (2.) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

“(a) a charge at the rate of—

- (i) Three pounds three shillings per day in respect of each day on which the person is an in-patient in a general ward;
- (ii) Three pounds eleven shillings per day in respect of each day on which the person is an in-patient in an intermediate ward; and
- (iii) Four pounds fifteen shillings per day in respect of each day on which the person is an in-patient in a private ward;”;

- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-regulations:—

“(5.) Subject to the next two succeeding sub-regulations, the charge for the provision of an ambulance vehicle in respect of a person to whom this regulation applies is—

- (a) Two pounds; or
- (b) where the distance necessarily travelled by the ambulance vehicle from its station for that purpose and in returning to its station exceeds six miles—Two pounds plus an amount calculated at the rate of Two shillings for each mile necessarily travelled by the ambulance in excess of six miles.

“(6.) Where two persons to whom this regulation applies are carried in an ambulance vehicle on any one journey, the charge payable by each of those persons for the provision of the ambulance vehicle is—

- (a) One pound ten shillings; or

- (b) where the distance necessarily travelled by the ambulance vehicle from its station for that purpose and in returning to its station exceeds six miles—One pound ten shillings plus an amount calculated at the rate of One shilling and sixpence for each mile necessarily travelled by the ambulance in excess of six miles.

“(7.) Where three or more persons to whom this regulation applies are carried in an ambulance vehicle on any one journey, the charge payable by each of those persons for the provision of the ambulance vehicle is an amount ascertained by dividing—

(a) Four pounds; or

- (b) where the distance necessarily travelled by the ambulance vehicle from its station for that purpose and in returning to its station exceeds six miles—Four pounds plus an amount calculated at the rate of Four shillings for each mile necessarily travelled by the ambulance in excess of six miles,

by the number of those persons carried in the ambulance.”.

4. Regulation 10 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations is repealed and the following regulations are inserted in its stead:—

“10.—(1.) Subject to sub-regulations (5.), (6.) and (7.) of regulation 9 of these Regulations and to this regulation, the charge for the provision of an ambulance vehicle is One pound.

“(2.) Subject to sub-regulations (5.), (6.) and (7.) of regulation 9 of these Regulations, the charge for the provision of an ambulance vehicle which is required to travel outside the City Area for the purpose for which it is provided, but not outside the Territory, is Two pounds.

“(3.) Subject to sub-regulations (5.), (6.) and (7.) of regulation 9 of these Regulations, the charge for the provision of an ambulance vehicle which is required to travel outside the Territory for the purpose for which it is provided is—

(a) Two pounds; or

- (b) where the distance necessarily travelled by the ambulance vehicle from its station for that purpose and in returning to its station exceeds twenty miles—an amount calculated at the rate of Two shillings for each mile necessarily travelled by the ambulance.

“(4.) Where, at the request of a person or organization conducting a sporting event or other public function, an ambulance vehicle is made available on any day at the event or function, the charge for making the vehicle available is—

(a) if the period for which the ambulance vehicle is made available on the day does not exceed four hours—an amount of Five pounds five shillings; or

- (b) if the period for which the ambulance vehicle is made available on the day exceeds four hours—an amount of Ten pounds ten shillings.”.

Ambulance charges for persons other than person to whom regulation 9 applies.

“(5.) In this regulation, ‘the City Area’ has the same meaning as in the *City Area Leases Ordinance* 1936-1959.

“11. Where the distance necessarily travelled by an ambulance is a number of miles and a fraction of a mile that is, or exceeds, one-half of a mile, the fraction of a mile shall, for the purposes of the last two preceding regulations, be deemed to be one mile.”

5.—(1.) The rates of charges prescribed by sub-regulation (1.) of regulation 5 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations as in force immediately before the commencement of these Regulations shall continue to apply—

(a) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric ward—up to and including the thirtieth day of September, 1961; and

(b) in any other case—up to and including the thirty-first day of January, 1961.

(2.) The rates of charges prescribed by sub-regulation (1.) of regulation 5 of the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations as amended by these Regulations shall apply—

(a) in the case of a person admitted as an in-patient in an obstetric ward—on and after the first day of October, 1961; and

(b) in any other case—on and after the first day of February, 1961.

(3.) Regulations 2, 3 and 4 of these Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of February, 1961.

Fractions of a mile.

Dates as from which certain charges are payable.