

Regulations 1981 No. 15<sup>1</sup>

**Health Commission (Charges) Regulations<sup>2</sup>  
(Amendment)**

I, MICHAEL JOHN RANDAL MACKELLAR, the Minister of State for Health, hereby make the following Regulation under the *Health Commission Ordinance 1975*.

Dated 22 June 1981.

MICHAEL MACKELLAR  
Minister of State for Health

**Schedule**

1. The Schedule to the Health Commission (Charges) Regulations is repealed and the following Schedule is substituted:

SCHEDULE		Regulation 8
CHARGES FOR DENTAL TREATMENT		
Column 1	Column 2	
Dental service	Prescribed charge	
	\$	
Examinations		
Oral examination, not being a second or subsequent examination (not including any radiographs taken during the examination)	8.30	
Second or subsequent examination (not including any radiographs taken during the examination)	7.70	
Supply of a written report . . . . .	3.90	
Radiography		
Taking of up to 14 radiographs in making a complete series of periapical radiographs	49.50	
Taking of each radiograph in excess of 14 in making a complete series of periapical radiographs	5.30	
Single intraoral periapical or bitewing radiograph . . . . .	8.50	
Two intraoral periapical or bitewing radiographs taken during the 1 attendance .	13.60	
Each intraoral periapical or bitewing radiograph in excess of 2 taken during the 1 attendance	5.30	
Single intraoral occlusal, maxillary or mandibular radiograph . . . . .	13.60	
Single extraoral maxillary or mandibular radiograph . . . . .	20.00	
Two extraoral maxillary or mandibular radiographs taken during the 1 attendance	33.50	

## SCHEDULE—continued

Column 1	Column 2
Dental service	Prescribed charge
	\$
<i>Diagnostic models</i>	
Construction of diagnostic model of upper or lower teeth	8.20
Construction of diagnostic model of upper and lower teeth	16.40
<i>Preventive services</i>	
Removal of plaque	12.40
Scaling and cleaning (including removal of plaque)	17.80
Topical application of fluoride—each application	6.10
Oral hygiene instruction where a full attendance is taken up in giving the instruction	16.40
Provision of a mouthguard where the construction of a model is necessary	33.50
Application of a desensitising agent	6.10
<i>Periodontics</i>	
Subgingival curettage (including any scaling and cleaning or oral hygiene instruction, and the provision of any medication for the condition treated)—each attendance at which the procedure is performed	17.80
Treatment of acute or chronic periodontal infection (including any scaling and cleaning or oral hygiene instruction, and the provision of any medication for the infection)—an attendance at which the procedure is performed other than a second or subsequent attendance in a single course of treatment	17.80
Treatment of acute or chronic periodontal infection (including any scaling and cleaning or oral hygiene instruction, and the provision of any medication for the infection)—each attendance at which the procedure is performed that is a second or subsequent attendance in a single course of treatment	13.40
<i>Oral surgery</i>	
Simple removal of 1 tooth (including local anaesthetic if administered and any routine post-operative care)	14.40
Simple removal of teeth—removal of each tooth in excess of 1 during the 1 attendance (including local anaesthetic if administered and any routine post-operative care)	9.60
Surgical removal of an erupted tooth (including local anaesthetic if administered and any routine post-operative care)	49.50
Surgical removal of a tooth with soft tissue impaction (including local anaesthetic and any routine post-operative care)	49.50
Surgical removal of a tooth with partial bone impaction (including local anaesthetic and any routine post-operative care)	59.00
Surgical removal of tooth fragment, whether involving soft tissue only or also bone (including local anaesthetic if administered and any routine post-operative care)	38.50
Attendance to give post-operative care (other than routine post-operative care) following the extraction of a tooth	13.80
Alveolotomy (not including removal of tooth)	29.00
<i>Endodontics</i>	
Pulp capping	3.90
Pulpotomy	13.80
Endodontic treatment of a tooth with 1 root canal (including bio-chemical debridement, canal obliteration and any radiographs taken, but not including restoration)	94.00
Endodontic treatment of a tooth with 2 root canals (including bio-chemical debridement, canal obliteration and any radiographs taken, but not including restoration)	106.00

## SCHEDULE—continued

Column 1	Column 2
Dental service	Prescribed charge
	\$
<i>Restorative services</i>	
Restoration of 1 surface of a tooth, using amalgam	16.40
Restoration of 2 surfaces of a tooth, using amalgam	19.80
Restoration of 3 or more surfaces of a tooth, using amalgam	26.50
Restoration of 1 surface of a tooth, using composite resin	20.00
Restoration of 2 surfaces of a tooth, using composite resin	24.00
Restoration of 3 or more surfaces of a tooth, using composite resin	32.00
Silicate cement filling	17.80
Acrylic or plastic filling	17.80
Supply and fixing of a direct gold inlay	The cost of the material, or \$82 whichever is the lesser
Re-cementing an inlay	16.40
Supply and fixing of a temporary crown	29.00
Temporary restoration using a metal band	19.80
Insertion of a pin for the retention of a filling—each pin inserted	4.80
<i>Crowns and bridges</i>	
Supply and fixing of a crown or bridge	The cost of the materials or \$362, whichever is the lesser, together with \$8.50 for each 20 minutes of attendance or part thereof
Re-cementing a crown	16.40
Re-cementing a bridge	19.80
<i>Prosthetic services</i>	
Supply of complete maxillary or mandibular denture	205.00
Supply of complete maxillary and mandibular denture	360.00
Immediate replacement of tooth in an immediate complete maxillary or mandibular denture	2.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 1 tooth	86.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 2 teeth	100.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 3 teeth	118.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 4 teeth	134.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 teeth	164.00
Supply of acrylic partial denture with 10, 11 or 12 teeth	192.00
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 1 tooth	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$106

## SCHEDULE—continued

Column 1	Column 2
Dental service	Prescribed charge
	\$
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 2 teeth . . . . .	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$124
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 3 teeth . . . . .	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$144
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 4 teeth . . . . .	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$156
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 teeth . . . . .	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$192
Supply of cast cobalt chromium alloy partial denture with 10, 11 or 12 teeth . . . . .	The cost of casting and the clasps together with \$220
Supply of additional retainer for a partial denture . . . . .	9.20
Supply of additional occlusal rest for a partial denture where the rest is not used as part of a retainer . . . . .	4.50
Immediate replacement of a tooth in an immediate partial denture . . . . .	2.00
Adjustment of a complete or partial denture . . . . .	13.80
Processed relining of a complete mandibular or maxillary denture . . . . .	84.00
Resilient lining of a denture . . . . .	112.00
Reattaching of undamaged clasp to denture . . . . .	19.60
Replacing broken clasp of a denture with a new clasp . . . . .	23.50
Repairing a broken denture (partial or complete) where no tooth on the denture is damaged . . . . .	19.60
Repairing a broken denture (partial or complete) and replacing 1 broken tooth . . . . .	28.00
Repairing a broken denture (partial or complete) and replacing more than 1 broken tooth . . . . .	\$28 together with \$8.50 for each tooth replaced in excess of 1
Repairing a denture where only the replacement of 1 broken tooth is required . . . . .	19.60
Repairing a denture where only the replacement of broken teeth is required . . . . .	\$19.60 for the first tooth replaced together with \$8.50 for each additional tooth replaced
Adding a tooth to a partial denture to replace an extracted tooth (including any adjustment required to clasps) . . . . .	41.00

**SCHEDULE—continued**

Column 1	Column 2
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	\$
Adding teeth to a partial denture to replace extracted teeth (including any adjustment required to a clasp to an abutment tooth)	\$41.00 for the first tooth added together with \$10.60 for each additional tooth added
Impression where required for denture repair . . . . . <i>Adjunctive general services</i>	4.00
Palliative emergency treatment . . . . .	7.30
Sedative dressing for emergency treatment . . . . .	10.60

**NOTES**

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 10 July 1981.
2. Regulations 1975 No. 13 as amended to date. For previous amendments *see* Note 2 to Regulations 1981 No. 10 and *see also* Regulations 1981 Nos. 10 and 11.