

Explanatory Statement

Health Records (Privacy and Access) (Fees) Determination 2006 (No 2)

Disallowable instrument DI2006–135

made under the

Health Records (Privacy and Access) Act 1997, s 34

This Determination of Fees revokes and replaces the Determination of Fees DI2006-39, dated 1 March 2006.

The Determination comes into effect from 1 July 2006 and reproduces Determination DI2006-39 except for:

- Items b, c, and d have been increased by the estimated 2006-07 Wage Price Index (3.7%) rounded to the nearest dollar;
- Items a, e, g and h have increased from \$10 to \$11 (10%) to account for previous years where indexation did not increase the fee due to rounding; and
- the date of effect.

Attachment A sets out the pre-1 July 2006 fees, the post 1 July 2006 and GST status.

Attachment A

1 JULY 2006 - ANNUAL INCREASE OF FEES & CHARGES

Item	Old Charge	New Charge	Including GST	Additional Charges
(a) To view a record pursuant to section 13(5)(a) of the Act.	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00	n/a	
(b) Provision of a grey scale copy of a health record pursuant to section 13(5)(b)(i) of the Act up to 50 pages inclusive of any search fee other than a request by a consumer to provide access to their solicitor or insurer.	\$ 30.00	\$ 31.00	n/a	
(c) Provision of a copy of a health record pursuant to section 13(5)(b)(i) of the Act for health records containing more than 50 pages inclusive of any search fee other than a request by a consumer to provide access to their solicitor or insurer.	\$ 30.00	\$ 31.00	n/a	plus an additional 20 cents per page charged for each page copied over 50 pages.
(d) Provision of a written summary of a health record in accordance with section 13(5)(b)(ii) or (iii).	\$ 60.00	\$ 62.00	n/a	
(e) Provision of a copy of a record where the record is or contains an image of a hardcopy, which is owned by the record keeper (ie where the service has not been paid for by the health consumer.)	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00	n/a	plus the costs incurred by the health service provider to provide a copy of the image to someone outside the provider's practice.
(f) A request to view a record and have its contents explained pursuant to section 13(5)(c) of the Act or by accepting an offer from the record keeper to discuss the record with the health consumer pursuant to section 16(2) or section 16(9) of the Act.	A fee equal to the health service providers usual consultation fee	A fee equal to the health service providers usual consultation fee	n/a	
(g) Provision of a copy of a health record pursuant to Principle 12 of the Act for a record of up to 50 pages inclusive of any search fee.	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00	n/a	plus the cost of actual postage.
(h) Provision of a grey scale copy of a health record pursuant to Principle 12 of the Act for a record in excess of 50 pages inclusive of any search fee.	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00	n/a	plus the cost of actual postage plus an additional charge of 20 cents per page for each page copied over 50 pages.