

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
PHARMACY ORDINANCE 1931-1972

Section 38.(1).(c) of the Pharmacy Ordinance 1931-1972 of the Australian Capital Territory prohibits, inter alia, the sale of contraceptives in the Australian Capital Territory by a person other than a registered pharmacist.

The amending Ordinance removes the above prohibition by deleting the words "any preventive of conception" from paragraph (c) of section 38.(1.). This amendment in no way effects the present requirement that contraceptives containing substances controlled under the Poisons and Dangerous Drugs Ordinance 1933-1967 (i.e. "oral" contraceptives) may only be sold by a registered pharmacist upon the presentation of a prescription signed by a registered medical practitioner.

The foregoing amendment accords with the Government's policy of removing restrictions on contraceptives.

Original initialled D.E.

Authority: The Minister for Health
vide Section 12 of the
Seat of Government
(Administration) Act
1910-1972.