

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENT OF NURSES REGISTRATION ORDINANCE 1933-1971

Nurses Registration Ordinance (No 2) 1971

No. 40 of 1971

The Minister approved the introduction in the A.C.T. of a two year course of training for general nurses open to persons possessing higher educational qualifications than those prescribed for entrance to the normal three year course.

The academic qualifications to be required for admission to the two year course are at a level which would qualify for admission to the Third Division in the Commonwealth Public Service.

The amendments, which include reduction of the minimum age for registration from 20 years to 19 years, are necessary to enable registration of nurses who successfully undertake the shortened course.

Educational qualifications required for entry to the course will be prescribed in Regulations to come into effect when the proposed amendments to the Ordinance are promulgated.

Authority: The Minister for Health
vide Section 12 of the
Seat of Government
(Administration) Act
1910-1970.