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FEES ORDINANCE.
(CAP. 35)

Healthcare Fees regulations, 2004.

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 2 of the Fees Ordinance, the Minister of Health, the Elderly and Community Care, together with the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, has made the following regulations:-

Title and commancement.

1. (1) The title of these Regulations is Healthcare Fees Regulations, 2004.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on 1st May, 2004.

Applicability.

2. (1) These Regulations shall not apply in respect of

(a) a person who is or who has been a citizen of Malta; or

(b) any child under the age of eighteen years, of a person referred to under paragraph (a) of this regulation; or

(c) a person who is a citizen or national of a country outside the European Union and who holds a licence of work issued under article 11 of the Immigration Act, and who is paying the prescribed contribution under the Social Security Act; or

(d) a citizen of a country which has a reciprocal health care agreement in force with Malta, in respect of such care and treatment to which such citizen would be entitled under the terms of such agreement or any understanding or agreed minutes subsequent thereto; or

(e) a person who is a citizen or a national of a country outside the European Union who enjoy freedom of movement in terms of article 44 of the Constitution of Malta; or

(f) a person who is a citizen or a national of a country outside the European Union who is in Malta in an advisory or consultative capacity to the Government on an invitation of the same or who is otherwise rendering a service to a government department or to a parastatal body and who is certified as such by the Minister,, responsible for that department or body, as the case may be, and any dependant of such person; or

(g) any person who is a citizen or national of a country outside the European Union who is undertaking a course of studies at any one of the following institutions: the University of Malta, the Malta College of Arts, Science & Technology and the Institute of Tourism Studies.

(2) Persons who produce the documentation required by the Department of Health in terms of the Community Regulations on the application of social security schemes in force, shall not effect any payment of the fees referred to under this regulationĠ

Provided that the Department of Health shall have the right to obtain a full refund of all the fees from the Member State concerned or an institution thereof.

3. (1) The fee which may be charged for the care and treatment of in-patients or inmates in any hospital or other institution of the Department of Health, shall beĠ Fees.

(a) for a general ward bed……Lm110 per day
(b) for a high dependency care bed……Lm210 per day
(c) for an intensive care bed……Lm400 per day

Provided that the fee referred to under this sub-regulation is not inclusive of the cost of any surgical operation or of any extraordinary medical investigation which may be carried out on the patient or inmate.

(2) The fee which may be charged for a surgical operation shall be:

(a) for a minor operation under local anaesthesia Lm110
(b) for a minor operation under general anaesthesia Lm200
(c) for an intermediate operation ……Lm450
(d) for a major operation .....……Lm1000
(e) for specialised surgery, namely major neuro-surgical operations, transplantation of organs other than skin and cornea, open heart surgery, major vascular surgery and major plastic surgery.....Lm2750:

Provided that the cost of any prosthesis or implant shall be charged in addition to the relative operation fee.

(3) The fee for the following investigations, procedures shall be:

(a) CT Scan	Lm200
(b) Gamma Scan	Lm250
(c) cardiac angiography	Lm350
(d) peripheral arteriography	Lm170
(e) MRI	Lm300
(f) cardiac angioplasty	Lm1500
(g) for each stent	Lm675
(h) for normal pacemaker and leads	Lm1500

(i) for dual chamber pacemaker (exclusive of leads) Lm3300:

Provided that any other extraordinary medical investigation or procedure shall be charged at cost.

(4) The fee which may be charged for the care and treatment of patients in health centre or ambulatory or emergency or day care facilities in any hospital or other institution of the Department of Health, shall be

(a)	for a health centre attendance	Lm10
(b)	for a hospital outpatient attendance	Lm15
(c)	for an emergency department department	Lm20
(d)	for chemotherapy session	Lm60
(e)	for a day care attendance	Lm75
(f)	for a renal dialysis sessions.....	Lm105
(g)	for a radiotherapy sessions.....	Lm105

Provided that the cost of any special medication or surgical operation or medical investigation shall be charged in addition to the relative attendance fee.

(5) The Minister responsible for Health may, in special cases, or cases of genuine hardship, reduce or waive any fees which are to be charged in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.

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