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FEES ORDINANCE
(CAP. 35)

Hospital Fees (Foreign Patients) (Amendment) Regulations, 1997

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 2 of the Fees Ordinance, the Minister of Health, Care of the Elderly and Family Affairs, with the concurrence of the Minister for Economic Affairs and Finance, has made the following regulations:—

Citation.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Hospital Fees (Foreign Patients) (Amendment) Regulations, 1997, and shall be read and construed as one with the Hospital Fees (Foreign Patients) Regulations, 1989, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations". L.N. 147 of 1989.

Amends regulation 3 of the principal regulations.

2. For paragraphs (1) to (4) and subparagraph (a) of paragraph (5) of regulation 3 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:—

"(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 be Lm85 per day for the first hundred days of stay and Lm5 per day thereafter.

(2) The fee referred to under paragraph (1) of this regulation is not inclusive of any surgical operation or of any extraordinary medical investigation/procedure which may be carried out on the patient or inmate.

(3) The fee which may be charged for a surgical operation shall be —

(a) for a minor operation under local anaesthesia Lm55

(b) for a minor operation under general anaesthesia Lm105

(c) for an intermediate operation Lm140

(d) for a major operation Lm250

(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 Lm700:

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

(4) The fee for the following investigations/procedures shall be —

(a) for specialised investigation, namely CT Scan, Gamma Scan, angiography, arteriography ... Lm210

(b) for angioplasty Lm2,100

(c) for normal pacemaker and leads Lm1,400

(d) for dual chamber pacemaker (exclusive of leads) Lm3,000,

while any other extraordinary medical investigation/procedure shall be charged at cost.

(5) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraphs of this regulation, the fees to be charged in respect of a patient to whom this paragraph applies, shall be as follows —

(i) for the care and treatment of in-patients or inmates, Lm12 per day for the first hundred days and Lm5 per day thereafter;

(ii) for surgical operations and medical investigations/procedures, fifteen per cent of the fees referred to in paragraphs (3) and (4) of this regulation:

Provided that the cost of any prosthesis or implant or for any extraordinary investigation shall be charged at cost in addition to the fees referred to in items (i) and (ii) above.".

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