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Erratum

IN *Extraordinary Government Gazette* No. 40 dated 27 June 2013 on page 2755 states:

HEALTH CARE ACT 2008

Fees and Charges

I, JACK SNELLING, Minister for Health and Ageing, hereby give notice pursuant to Section 44 of the Health Care Act 2008, of the fees in the list attached to apply to a compensable patient:

These charges will operate from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014.

Dated 18 June 2013.

JACK SNELLING, Minister for Health and Ageing

Whereas it *should* have read:

HEALTH CARE ACT 2008

Fees and Charges

I, JACK SNELLING, Minister for Health and Ageing, hereby give notice pursuant to Section 44 of the Health Care Act 2008, of the fees in the list attached to apply to a Medicare patient who is not a compensable patient:

These charges will operate from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014.

Dated 18 June 2013.

JACK SNELLING, Minister for Health and Ageing

1—Interpretation

(1) unless the contrary intention appears—

admitted patient means a patient of a public hospital site who has undergone the formal admission process of the public hospital site;

Commonwealth benefit, in relation to a patient, means the aggregate of the following amounts:

- (a) the maximum amount (expressed on a daily basis) payable as an age pension under the *Social Security Act 1991* of the Commonwealth to a person who is not a member of a couple within the meaning of that Act, excluding the amount of any pharmaceutical allowance payable under that Act; and
- (b) —
 - (i) if the patient receives rent assistance under that Act—the amount (expressed on a daily basis) received; or
 - (ii) if the patient is not entitled to an age pension or disability support pension under that Act—the maximum amount (expressed on a daily basis) payable as rent assistance under that Act;

hospital in the home service, in relation to a public hospital site, means treatment or care provided by the public hospital site to a patient at a location outside of the public hospital site's premises (being treatment or care provided as a direct substitute for treatment or care that would normally be provided as an inpatient service on the public hospital site's premises);

incorporated hospital means a hospital incorporated under the *Health Care Act 2008*;

long stay patient means a patient who has been an admitted patient in a public hospital site for a continuous period exceeding 35 days;

Medicare patient means a patient who is an eligible person for the purpose of receiving medical benefits under the *Health Insurance Act 1973* of the Commonwealth;

overnight stay patient means an admitted patient of a public hospital site who remains an admitted patient of the public hospital site until a day subsequent to the day of his or her admission;

patient means a person to whom a public hospital site provides medical or diagnostic services or other treatment or care and includes a person to whom a public hospital site provides outreach services;

private, in relation to a patient, connotes that the patient receives medical or diagnostic services from a medical practitioner selected by the patient;

public, in relation to a patient, connotes that the patient receives medical or diagnostic services from a medical practitioner selected by the public hospital site;

public hospital site means a hospital facility which is operated by and is part of an incorporated hospital and which can have buildings and facilities at more than one location in the State;

same day patient means an admitted patient of a public hospital site who, on the same day, is both admitted to and leaves the care of the public hospital site (whether on formal discharge by the public hospital site or voluntary discharge by the patient);

single room, in relation to the accommodation of a patient, means the accommodation of the patient in a room in which he or she is the only patient.

- (2) a patient will be regarded as being acutely ill during a particular period if a medical practitioner has certified that the patient will require extensive medical treatment and supervision during that period.
- (3) A certificate referred to in subsection (2) remains in force for the period specified in the certificate (not exceeding 30 days) or, if no period is specified, for a period of 30 days.

1—Fees for services provided to Medicare patients

- (1) The fee to be charged by a public hospital site for a service of a kind set out in the Schedule provided to a Medicare patient who is not a compensable patient is as set out in the Schedule.
- (2) A person who is—
 - (a) a resident of a State or Territory of the Commonwealth other than South Australia; or
 - (b) a member of the armed forces of the Commonwealth; or
 - (c) entitled to a benefit under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* of the Commonwealth,

may, with the approval of the Minister, be released from liability to pay the fees contained in the schedule.

- (3) A public hospital site may remit the whole or part of a fee payable to it in order to alleviate financial hardship.

Schedule—Fees for services provided to Medicare patients by incorporated hospitals and public hospital sites

	Fee (per day)
1 For the accommodation, maintenance, care and treatment at a public hospital site of a public overnight stay patient	no fee
2 For the accommodation, maintenance and care at a public hospital site of a private overnight stay patient—	
(a) where the patient requests and subsequently receives single room accommodation	\$561.00 (maximum fee/day)
(b) in any other case	\$326.00
3 For the accommodation, maintenance, care and treatment at a public hospital site of a public patient who is a same day patient	no fee
4 For the accommodation, maintenance and care at a public hospital site of a private patient who is a same day patient—	
(a) for gastro-intestinal endoscopy or other minor surgical and non-surgical procedures that do not normally require an anaesthetic (Band 1)	\$236.00
(b) for procedures (other than Band 1 procedures) carried out under local anaesthetic with no sedation given where the actual time in the theatre is less than one hour (Band 2)	\$269.00
(c) for procedures (other than Band 1 procedures) carried out under general or regional anaesthesia or intravenous sedation where the actual time in the theatre is less than one hour (Band 3)	\$297.00
(d) for any procedures carried out under general or regional anaesthesia or intravenous sedation where the actual time in the theatre is one hour or more (Band 4)	\$326.00
5 For the accommodation, maintenance, care and treatment at a public hospital site of a public long stay patient who is acutely ill	No fee
6 For the accommodation, maintenance, care and treatment at a public hospital site of a public long stay patient who is not acutely ill	87.5 per cent of the Commonwealth benefit
7 For the accommodation, maintenance, care and treatment at a public hospital site of a private long stay patient who is not acutely ill	\$111.00 plus 87.5 per cent of the Commonwealth benefit
8 For hospital in the home services provided by a public hospital site to a private patient	\$191.00 (maximum fee/day)