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PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CLINICS ACT (CHAPTER 248)

PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CLINICS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2011

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 22 of the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Act, the Minister for Health hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics (Amendment) Regulations 2011 and shall come into operation on 15th April 2011.

Amendment of regulation 12

2. Regulation 12 of the Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics Regulations (Rg 1) is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (1), the following paragraph:

"(1A) The licensee under paragraph (1) shall —

- (a) take all reasonable steps, including implementing such processes as are necessary, to ensure that the medical records in paragraph (1) are as accurate, complete and up-to-date as are necessary for the purposes for which they are to be used;
- (b) implement adequate safeguards (whether administrative, technical or physical) to protect the medical records against accidental or unlawful loss, modification or destruction, or unauthorised access, disclosure, copying, use or modification;
- (c) periodically monitor and evaluate the safeguards in sub-paragraph (b) to ensure that they are effective and being complied with by the persons involved in handling the medical records;

- (d) ensure that each person handling the medical records is aware of his role and responsibility in maintaining the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the medical records; and
- (e) take reasonable care in the disposal or destruction of the medical records so as to prevent unauthorised access to the records.".

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Made this 5th day of April 2011.

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Singapore.

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