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# CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND ACT (CHAPTER 36)

# CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND (MEDISAVE ACCOUNT WITHDRAWALS) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2013

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 77(1)(j) of the Central Provident Fund Act, Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, Senior Minister of State, charged with the responsibility of the Minister for Manpower, after consulting with the Central Provident Fund Board, hereby makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Withdrawals) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2013 and shall come into operation on 1st August 2013.

### Amendment of regulation 2

- **2.** Regulation 2 of the Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Withdrawals) Regulations (Rg 17) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "approved treatment" in paragraph (1), the following definition:
    - ""approved treatment package" means a course of one or more of the following which lasts not more than one year, which is approved by the Minister for Health for the purposes of these Regulations, and which complies with such terms and conditions as the Minister for Health may impose:
      - (a) medical treatments;

- (b) psychiatric treatments;
- (c) approved treatments;
- (d) home palliative care;
- (e) approved screenings;";
- (b) by deleting the words "treatment package" in the definitions of "co-payment amount" and "co-payment percentage" in paragraph (1) and substituting in each case the words "approved treatment package";
- (c) by deleting the semi-colon at the end of the definition of "treatment of neoplasms by chemotherapy" in paragraph (1) and substituting a full-stop;
- (d) by deleting the definition of "treatment package" in paragraph (1); and
- (e) by deleting paragraph (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:
  - "(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment, approved treatment, home palliative care or approved screening includes a reference to any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment, approved treatment, home palliative care or approved screening (as the case may be) received, or to be received, as part of an approved treatment package.
  - (3) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to a person receiving any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment, approved treatment, home palliative care or approved screening on or after a certain date shall include a reference to that person receiving any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment, approved treatment, home palliative care or approved screening (as the case may be) on or after that date as part of an approved treatment package under which the first medical treatment, psychiatric treatment, approved

treatment, home palliative care or approved screening (as the case may be) was received before that date.".

#### Amendment of regulation 3

- 3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received" in paragraph (1), the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package";
  - (b) by deleting the words "within the period of 12 months commencing immediately after the relevant date or within such further period as may be specified by the Board" in paragraphs (1) and (2);
  - (c) by inserting, immediately after the words "treatment received" in paragraphs (1) and (2), the words ", or to be received as part of an approved treatment package,";
  - (d) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received" in paragraph (1A), the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package,";
  - (e) by deleting the words "he or his dependent received" in paragraph (1A)(a) and substituting the words "received, or to be received as part of an approved treatment package, by him or his dependant";
  - (f) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received" in paragraph (2), the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package, any";
  - (g) by inserting, immediately after the word "received" in paragraph (3)(a)(i), the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package, on such terms and conditions as the Minister for Health may impose";
  - (h) by inserting, immediately after the words "approved medical practitioner" in paragraph (3)(b)(i), the words ", on such terms and conditions as the Minister for Health may impose,";
  - (i) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraph:

- "(3A) An application for the withdrawal of moneys from a member's medisave account under paragraph (1), (1A) or (2) shall
  - (a) if the application is in respect of any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment or approved treatment received, other than as part of an approved treatment package, by the member or his dependant, be made within the period of 12 months, or within such further period as the Board may specify in any particular case, commencing immediately after the relevant date; or
  - (b) if the application is in respect of any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment or approved treatment received, or to be received, as part of an approved treatment package, by the member or his dependant
    - (i) be made within the period of 12 months, or within such further period as the Board may specify for a treatment of that type or in any particular case, commencing immediately after the date on which the first medical treatment, psychiatric treatment or approved treatment (as the case may be) of the approved treatment package is received; and
    - (ii) be subject to such terms and conditions as the Minister for Health may impose.";
- (j) by inserting, at the end of paragraph (6)(b), the word "or"; and
- (k) by deleting sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (6).

## Amendment of regulation 14

- **4.** Regulation 14 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received" in paragraph (1), the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package,";
  - (b) by deleting the words "such treatment (whether as part of a treatment package or otherwise)" in paragraph (1)(a) and substituting the words "any such treatment received other than as part of an approved treatment package, or any such treatment received or to be received as part of an approved treatment package,";
  - (c) by deleting the words "the treatment package" in paragraph (1)(a)(ii) and substituting the words "the approved treatment package";
  - (d) by deleting the words "for the payment of all such treatments received in any calendar year" in paragraph (1)(b) and substituting the words "in respect of all such treatments that are received in any calendar year, and all such treatments that are to be received as part of an approved treatment package the first such treatment of which is received in that calendar year,"; and
  - (e) by deleting the words "treatment package" wherever they appear in paragraph (2) and substituting in each case the words "approved treatment package".

# Amendment of regulation 14A

- 5. Regulation 14A(1) of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received", the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package,"; and
  - (b) by deleting the words "for the payment for all such vaccinations received in any calendar year" and substituting the words "in respect of all such vaccinations that are received in any calendar year, and all such vaccinations that are to be

received as part of an approved treatment package the first such vaccination of which is received in that calendar year,".

## Amendment of regulation 14B

- **6.** Regulation 14B(1) of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "has received", the words ", or will receive as part of an approved treatment package,"; and
  - (b) by deleting the words "for the payment for all such screenings received in any calendar year" and substituting the words "in respect of all such screenings that are received in any calendar year, and all such screenings that are to be received as part of an approved treatment package the first such screening of which is received in that calendar year,".

### Amendment of regulation 14C

7. Regulation 14C of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "for the payment for all approved chronic illness treatments, approved vaccinations and approved screenings received in any calendar year" and substituting the words "in respect of all approved chronic illness treatments, approved vaccinations and approved screenings that are received in any calendar year, and all approved chronic illness treatments, approved vaccinations and approved screenings that are to be received as part of an approved treatment package the first approved chronic illness treatment, approved vaccination or approved screening (as the case may be) of which is received in that calendar year,".

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