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**CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND ACT  
(CHAPTER 36)**

**CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND  
(MEDISAVE ACCOUNT WITHDRAWALS)  
(AMENDMENT NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2017**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 77(1)(j) of the Central Provident Fund Act, the Minister for Manpower, after consulting with the Central Provident Fund Board, makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations are the Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Withdrawals) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 January 2018.

**Amendment of regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2(1) of the Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Withdrawals) Regulations (Rg 17) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (a) by deleting paragraph (a) of the definition of “prescribed person”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “regulation 3” in paragraph (c)(iii) of the definition of “prescribed person”, the words “or 17, each being an individual who has attained the age of 21 years”.

**Amendment of regulation 3**

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by inserting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (3)(a)(i)(B);

(b) by deleting sub-paragraphs (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (3)(a) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(ii) is —

(A) unconscious; or

(B) otherwise mentally incapacitated and unable to make the application under paragraph (1) himself;”;

(c) by deleting sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph (3C) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs:

“(a) is unconscious; or

(b) is otherwise mentally incapacitated and unable to make the application under paragraph (3B) himself.”; and

(d) by deleting paragraphs (3D) and (5).

### **Amendment of regulation 13**

4. Regulation 13(4) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “18 years” in sub-paragraph (a) and substituting the words “21 years”.

### **Deletion and substitution of regulation 17**

5. Regulation 17 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

#### **“Overseas medical treatment**

17.—(1) A member may apply to the Board to withdraw an amount from the member’s medisave account for payment of an amount that is paid or to be paid —

(a) by the member or any other payer; and

(b) in respect of any qualifying overseas medical treatment received or to be received by the member, or any individual who may or may not be the member’s dependant.

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(2) A prescribed person may make an application under paragraph (1) on behalf of a member who —

(a) is deceased or unconscious; or

(b) is otherwise mentally incapacitated and unable to make an application under paragraph (1) himself.

(3) After the Board receives an application under paragraph (1), the Board may authorise the member to withdraw, from the member's medisave account, the whole or part of the amount paid or to be paid by the member or payer for the qualifying overseas medical treatment, subject to such terms and conditions as the Board may impose.

(4) An application to the Board under this regulation must be in such form, and supported by such information and documents, as the Board may require.

(5) In this regulation —

“payer”, in respect of any overseas medical treatment, means a person who pays or intends to pay for the overseas medical treatment, whether or not the overseas medical treatment is received by that person;

“qualifying overseas medical treatment” means any medical treatment, psychiatric treatment or other treatment —

(a) provided in a hospital outside Singapore; and

(b) approved, wholly or in part, by the Minister for Health on the application of the member or a payer, to be a qualifying overseas medical treatment.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 19**

**6.** Regulation 19 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “18 years” in paragraph (1)(d) and substituting the words “21 years”; and

(b) by deleting paragraph (6).

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**Deletion and substitution of regulation 25**

7. Regulation 25 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

**“Payment by Board**

**25.**—(1) All moneys authorised by the Board to be withdrawn from a member’s medisave account under these Regulations are to be paid —

- (a) by the Board to a member or a specified payee; and
- (b) in such manner as the Board may determine.

(2) In this regulation, “specified payee” means —

(a) an approved medical institution or approved home palliative care provider —

(i) from which the member or his dependant received, or is to receive, any medical, psychiatric or approved rehabilitation treatment;

(ii) that has submitted the application for withdrawal of moneys from the member’s medisave account on behalf of the member, in respect of any out-patient scan, pre-delivery medical treatment or specified out-patient treatment mentioned in regulation 13A, 16 or 21B, respectively; or

(iii) that is affiliated to a hospital outside Singapore from which the member, or an individual who may or may not be the member’s dependant, received or is to receive any qualifying overseas medical treatment; or

(b) the prescribed person who made the application under regulation 3(2) or (3C) or 17(2), or a person specified by that prescribed person, whom the Board verifies has paid for the treatment for which the moneys are authorised by the Board to be withdrawn.”.

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**Saving and transitional provision**

8. If an application made by a prescribed person under regulation 3(2) or (3C) of the principal Regulations is pending on 1 January 2018, that application must be dealt with under regulation 3 of the principal Regulations as in force immediately before 1 January 2018.

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