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CARESHIELD LIFE AND LONG-TERM CARE ACT 2019

CARESHIELD LIFE AND LONG-TERM CARE (ELDERSHIELD SCHEME) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2024

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 64 of the CareShield Life and Long-Term Care Act 2019, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (ElderShield Scheme) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2024 and come into operation on 30 October 2024.

Amendment of regulation 8

2. In the CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (ElderShield Scheme) Regulations 2021 (G.N. No. S 810/2021), in regulation 8 —

(a) in paragraph (1)(b), delete “or” at the end;

(b) in paragraph (1), after sub-paragraph (b), insert —

“(ba) in the event the termination (whether before, on or after 30 October 2024) was in accordance with regulation 7(1)(g) or (h) — the individual is reinstated as a citizen of Singapore or a permanent resident of Singapore; or”; and

(c) after paragraph (2), insert —

“(3) Where the Board reinstates the insurance cover of an individual under paragraph (1)(ba), the insurance cover is reinstated on the date the individual is reinstated as a citizen of Singapore or a permanent resident of Singapore.”.

New regulation 8A

3. In the CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (ElderShield Scheme) Regulations 2021, after regulation 8, insert—

“Payment of goodwill sum

8A.—(1) This regulation applies in relation to an individual —

- (a) who, on or after 1 April 2024, ceases to be a citizen of Singapore and does not immediately become a permanent resident of Singapore, or who ceases to be a permanent resident of Singapore and does not immediately become a citizen of Singapore;
- (b) whose insurance cover under the ESH Scheme was not issued in error, but was terminated (whether before, on or after 30 October 2024) under regulation 7(1)(g) or (h); and
- (c) who is a severely disabled individual whose claim under section 16 of the Act has been accepted by the Administrator (whether before, on or after 30 October 2024).

(2) The Board may pay a goodwill sum to —

- (a) the individual; or
- (b) an approved payee nominated by the individual, or by the authorised applicant for the individual.

(3) The goodwill sum may consist of one or more payments to be made at a frequency that the Board may determine.

(4) The Board may suspend the payment of the goodwill sum where —

- (a) the Board is unable to make the payment because of insufficient information provided by the individual or the approved payee for such payment; or
- (b) in the case of payment to an approved payee, the approved payee lacks mental capacity or has died, and no new approved payee was nominated by the

individual, or by the authorised applicant for the individual, as the case may be.

(5) If the circumstances for the suspension of payment under paragraph (4) no longer exist, the Board may resume the payment of any remaining amount of the goodwill sum even if the individual's insurance cover is reinstated under regulation 8.

(6) Upon reinstatement of the individual's insurance cover under regulation 8, if the insured person is entitled to the payment of one or more insured sums on or after the date of such reinstatement —

- (a) the whole amount of the goodwill sum is treated as the payment of the number of monthly insured sums which corresponds to that whole amount (called the relevant insured sums); and
- (b) the payment of any other insured sum under section 18(2) of the Act resumes only after the relevant insured sums are treated as paid under sub-paragraph (a).”.

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 64(4) of the CareShield Life and Long-Term Care Act 2019).