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HEALTHCARE SERVICES ACT 2020 (ACT 3 OF 2020)

HEALTHCARE SERVICES (FEES) REGULATIONS 2021

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 57 of the Healthcare Services Act 2020, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Healthcare Services (Fees) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 3 January 2022.

Definition

2. In these Regulations, “charitable healthcare service provider” means —

- (a) a charity registered under section 5 of the Charities Act 1994; or

(b) an exempt charity within the meaning given by section 2(1) of the Charities Act 1994,
that is established to provide healthcare services.

Fees for general cases

3.—(1) This regulation applies in relation to an applicant or a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider at the time the application for the grant or renewal of a licence is made.

(2) For the purposes of section 10(2)(b) of the Act, the application fee for the grant or renewal of a licence is —

- (a) for a licence to provide a blood banking service, an emergency ambulance service or a medical transport service — \$100 for each licence; or
- (b) for any other type of licence — \$100 for each licensed premises or licensed conveyance to which the application relates.

(3) For the purposes of section 15(3)(c) of the Act, the application fee for the amendment of a licence under section 15(1)(a) or (b) of the Act is —

- (a) for a licence to provide a blood banking service, an emergency ambulance service or a medical transport service — \$100 for each application; or
- (b) for any other type of licence — \$100 for each licensed premises or licensed conveyance to which the application relates.

(4) Subject to paragraph (5), the fees specified in the second column of the First Schedule are payable to the Director in respect of the matters specified in the first column of that Schedule.

(5) The fees specified in the second column of the First Schedule in respect of the matters specified in items 1 to 24 in the first column of that Schedule apply in relation to a licence granted or renewed for a period of 2 years.

(6) To avoid doubt, the fees specified in the First Schedule include the application fee mentioned in paragraph (2) or (3) where applicable.

Pro-ration of fees for general cases

4. Where a licence is granted (including a licence granted on renewal) to a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider for a period that is shorter than 2 years, the fee payable under regulation 3(4) (less the applicable application fee) for the grant or renewal of the licence or an amendment of the licence under section 15(1)(a) of the Act for the inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under the licence, is to be pro-rated according to the number of months for which the licence is granted or renewed.

Fees for conversion of licences for emergency ambulance or medical transport service

5.—(1) Despite regulations 3 and 4, where a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider —

- (a) holds a licence to provide a medical transport service (called in this paragraph the first licence);
- (b) gives notice to the Director under section 17(1) of the Act of the licensee's intention to wholly stop providing the medical transport service under the first licence; and
- (c) applies at any time during the validity of the first licence for another licence to provide an emergency ambulance service (called in this paragraph the converted licence) for a term that starts on the date the licensee stops providing the medical transport service under the first licence and expires on the date that the first licence would have expired,

the fee for the grant (but not renewal) of the converted licence is \$100, regardless of the number of licensed conveyances used or to be used under the first licence or the converted licence.

(2) Despite regulations 3 and 4, where a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider —

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- (a) holds a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service (called in this paragraph the first licence);
 - (b) gives notice to the Director under section 17(1) of the Act of the licensee's intention to wholly stop providing the emergency ambulance service under the first licence; and
 - (c) applies at any time during the validity of the first licence for another licence to provide a medical transport service (called in this paragraph the converted licence) for a term that starts on the date the licensee stops providing the emergency ambulance service under the first licence and expires on the date that the first licence would have expired,

the fee for the grant (but not renewal) of the converted licence is \$100, regardless of the number of licensed conveyances used or to be used under the first licence or the converted licence.

Fees for second licence for medical transport or emergency ambulance service

6.—(1) Despite regulations 3 and 4, where a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider —

- (a) holds a licence to provide a medical transport service (called in this paragraph the first licence); and
- (b) applies at any time during the validity of the first licence for another licence to provide an emergency ambulance service (called in this paragraph the second licence) for a term that expires on the date that the first licence expires,

the fee for the grant (but not renewal) of the second licence is \$100, regardless of the number of licensed conveyances used or to be used under the first licence or the second licence.

(2) Despite regulations 3 and 4, where a licensee that is not a charitable healthcare service provider —

- (a) holds a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service (called in this paragraph the first licence); and

- (b) applies at any time during the validity of the first licence for another licence to provide a medical transport service (called in this paragraph the second licence) for a term that expires on the date that the first licence expires,

the fee for the grant (but not renewal) of the second licence is \$100, regardless of the number of licensed conveyances used or to be used under the first licence or the second licence.

Lower fees for charitable healthcare service providers

7.—(1) This regulation applies in relation to an applicant or a licensee that is a charitable healthcare service provider at the time the application for the grant or renewal of a licence is made.

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), for the purposes of section 10(2)(b) of the Act, the application fee for the grant or renewal of a licence is —

- (a) for a licence to provide a blood banking service — \$12 for each licence;
- (b) for a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service or a medical transport service —
 - (i) where the applicant or licensee is applying for the grant or renewal of a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service and a licence to provide a medical transport service at the same time — \$12 for both licences; or
 - (ii) in any other case — \$12 for each licence; or
- (c) for any other type of licence — \$12 for each licensed premises or licensed conveyance to which the application relates.

(3) For the purposes of section 10(2)(b) of the Act, the application fee for the amendment of a licence under section 15(1)(a) or (b) of the Act is —

- (a) for a licence to provide a blood banking service, an emergency ambulance service or a medical transport service — \$12 for each application; or

(b) for any other type of licence — \$12 for each licensed premises or licensed conveyance to which the application relates.

(4) The application fee specified in paragraph (2)(c) does not apply to an application that relates to any premises or conveyance in respect of which the applicant holds a valid licence to provide another licensable healthcare service at those premises or that conveyance.

(5) The fees specified in the second column of the Second Schedule are payable to the Director in respect of the matters specified in the first column of that Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Regulation 3(4), (5) and (6)

FEES FOR GENERAL CASES

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
Clinical laboratory service		
1.	(a) Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a clinical laboratory service (b) Inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under a clinical laboratory service	\$1,016 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
2.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 1	\$203 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
Radiological service		
3.	(a) Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a radiological service (b) Inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under a radiological service licence	\$1,016 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
4.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 3	\$203 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
Nuclear medicine imaging service		
5.	(a) Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a nuclear medicine imaging service (b) Inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under a licence to provide a nuclear medicine imaging service	\$1,900 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
6.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 5	\$380 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
Nuclear medicine assay service		
7.	(a) Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a nuclear medicine assay service (b) Inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under a licence to provide a nuclear medicine assay service	\$1,900 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
8.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 7	\$380 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
Cord blood banking service		
9.	(a) Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a cord blood banking service (b) Inclusion of one or more licensed premises or licensed conveyances under a cord blood banking service licence	\$1,950 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
10.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 9	\$390 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
Blood banking service		
11.	Application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a blood banking service	\$5,500
12.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 11	\$1,100
Medical transport service		
13.	Subject to regulations 5(2) and 6(2), application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a medical transport service for 10 or fewer licensed conveyances	\$800
14.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 13	\$160
15.	Subject to regulations 5(2) and 6(2), application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide a medical transport service for more than 10 licensed conveyances	\$900
16.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 15	\$180
Emergency ambulance service		
17.	Subject to regulations 5(1) and 6(1), application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service for 10 or fewer licensed conveyances	\$1,000
18.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 17	\$200

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
19.	Subject to regulations 5(1) and 6(1), application for and grant or renewal of a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service for more than 10 licensed conveyances	\$1,300
20.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 19	\$260
Bundled fees for medical transport and emergency ambulance services		
21.	Application for and grant or renewal of — (a) a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service; and (b) a licence to provide a medical transport service, for 10 or fewer licensed conveyances, where both licences are granted or renewed at the same time	\$1,000
22.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 21	\$200
23.	Application for and grant or renewal of — (a) a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service; and (b) a licence to provide a medical transport service, for more than 10 licensed conveyances, where both licences are granted or renewed at the same time	\$1,300
24.	Late renewal application for a licence mentioned in item 23	\$260
Miscellaneous		
25.	Amendment of licence under section 15(1)(c) of the Act	\$100

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
26.	Certified true copy of a licence, issued otherwise than in connection with the grant or renewal of a licence or item 25	\$100

SECOND SCHEDULE

Regulation 7(5)

FEES FOR CHARITABLE HEALTHCARE SERVICE PROVIDERS

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
1.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a clinical laboratory service	\$203 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
2.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a radiological service	\$203 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
3.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a nuclear medicine imaging service	\$380 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
4.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a nuclear medicine assay service	\$380 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
5.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a cord blood banking service	\$390 per licensed premises or licensed conveyance for the service
6.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a blood banking service	\$1,100
7.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a medical transport service for 10 or fewer licensed conveyances	\$160

SECOND SCHEDULE — *continued*

	<i>First column</i> <i>Item</i>	<i>Second column</i> <i>Fee</i>
8.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide a medical transport service for more than 10 licensed conveyances	\$180
9.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service for 10 or fewer licensed conveyances	\$200
10.	Late renewal application for a licence to provide an emergency ambulance service for more than 10 licensed conveyances	\$260
11.	Amendment of a licence under section 15(1)(c) of the Act	\$12
12.	Certified true copy of a licence, issued otherwise than in connection with the grant or renewal of a licence or item 11	\$12

Made on 24 December 2021.

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