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### **INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT 1976**

# INFECTIOUS DISEASES (UNDETECTABLE HIV VIRAL LOAD) REGULATIONS 2024

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 73 of the Infectious Diseases Act 1976, the Minister for Health makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations are the Infectious Diseases (Undetectable HIV Viral Load) Regulations 2024 and come into operation on 9 April 2024.

# Prescribed period preceding sexual activity

**2.** For the purpose of section 23(1A) and (1B) of the Act, the prescribed period preceding the sexual activity in question for which a person has maintained an undetectable HIV viral load is 6 months.

# Prescribed periods, etc., for tests

- 3. For the purpose of section 23(1B) of the Act
  - (a) in section 23(1B)(a) of the Act, the prescribed period within which the person must have taken the test

- mentioned in that provision is 9 months before the sexual activity; and
- (b) in section 23(1B)(b) of the Act, the earlier test mentioned in that provision must have been taken no later than 6 months before the test mentioned in paragraph (a).

## Prescribed amount of HIV viral load

- **4.** For the purpose of section 23(1C) of the Act
  - (a) in section 23(1C)(a) of the Act, the prescribed amount of HIV for a detectable HIV viral load is 200 copies per millilitre of blood; and
  - (b) in section 23(1C)(b) of the Act, the prescribed amount of HIV for an undetectable HIV viral load is below 200 copies per millilitre of blood.

# Person licensed to provide clinical laboratory service to be recognised laboratory

5. A person who is licensed under the Healthcare Services Act 2020 to provide a clinical laboratory service within the meaning of the First Schedule to that Act is a recognised laboratory mentioned in section 23(1B) of the Act.

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