LEGAL NOTICE NO. 187

THE NATIONAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE FUND ACT

(No. 9 of 1998)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 20 of the National Hospital Insurance Fund Act, the Board makes the following Regulations:

THE NATIONAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE FUND (VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS) REGULATIONS, 2003

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Hospital Insurance Fund (Voluntary Contributions) Regulations, 2003.

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"prescribed Form" means such form as the Board may, from time to time, prescribe for the purpose of these Regulations;

"declared hospital" has the meaning assigned to it in the Act.

3 (1) Any person liable as a contributor under section 15 (1) of the Act may apply to the Board to be a voluntary contributor so as to cover such other dependants as would otherwise not be entitled to the benefits under the standard or special contributions paid by the contributor.

(2) The application referred to in paragraph (1) for any year shall be in writing in the prescribed Form.

4 In determining whether to accept or reject an application under regulation 3, the Board may call for such evidence as may, in the Board’s opinion, be necessary including evidence relating to—

(a) the applicant’s relationship to the person or persons to be covered as a dependant or dependants;

(b) the identity, age, and income of the dependant; or

(c) the medical condition of the dependant.

5. In determining the rate of contribution, the Board may take into account—

(a) whether or not the voluntary contributor is already a contributor under standard or special contribution in accordance with the Act;

(b) the contributor’s appropriate rate of contribution as either standard or special contribution to the Fund; and

(c) the financial implication on the contributor’s total income:

Provided that the minimum rate of contribution shall be the sum of one hundred and sixty shillings (160) per month.

6. Prior to the acceptance of an application to become a contributor under these Regulations, the applicant shall be notified of the fact that—
(a) an election to become a voluntary contributor for any dependant is irrevocable; and

(b) the person on whose behalf a voluntary contribution is paid shall be registered as the contributor on the National Hospital Insurance Card.

7. A voluntary contributor shall pay the contribution to the Board on the first day of each month.

8. The National Hospital Insurance (Voluntary Contributions) Regulations are revoked.


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Chief Executive Officer,
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J. N. MUNGAI,
Chairman,
National Hospital Insurance Fund.

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THE NATIONAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE FUND ACT
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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 27 of the National Hospital Insurance Fund Act, the Board, in consultation with the Minister for Health, makes the following Regulations:—

THE NATIONAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE FUND (CLAIMS AND BENEFITS) REGULATIONS, 2003

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Hospital Insurance Fund (Claims and Benefits) Regulations, 2003.

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"prescribed Form", means such form as the Board may, from time to time, prescribe for the purposes of these Regulations;

"declared hospital", has the meaning assigned to it in the Act;

"hospital and medical treatment" includes food and bed, drugs, laboratory tests and diagnostic services, surgical or medical procedures or equipment, medicines, physiotherapy, and doctor’s fees for both in-patient and out-patients in declared hospitals.

3. A claim for the payment of any benefits shall be made in writing in the prescribed Form, and shall be submitted to the Board within ninety days or such longer period as the Board may allow, from the date of discharge from the hospital and medical treatment in respect of which it is made.