

**Reprint
as at 1 April 2017**



**Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2015
(LI 2015/29)**

Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2015: revoked, on 1 April 2017, by regulation 5(a) of the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/29).

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 23rd day of February 2015

Present:

The Right Hon John Key presiding in Council

Pursuant to section 92 of the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 and section 132A of the Social Security Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint.
Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Health.

Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2015.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 April 2015.

3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Health Entitlement Cards Regulations 1993 (the **principal regulations**).

4 Regulation 8 amended (Eligibility for community services cards)

- (1) In regulation 8(5)(a), replace “\$25,594” with “\$26,042”.
- (2) In regulation 8(5)(b), replace “\$27,150” with “\$27,637”.
- (3) In regulation 8(5)(c), replace “\$40,590” with “\$41,327”.
- (4) In regulation 8(6)(a), replace “\$48,549” with “\$48,797”.
- (5) In regulation 8(6)(b), replace “\$58,793” with “\$59,093”.
- (6) In regulation 8(6)(c), replace “\$66,940” with “\$67,282”.
- (7) In regulation 8(6)(d), replace “\$74,919” with “\$75,302”.
- (8) In regulation 8(6)(e), replace “\$83,837 for the first 6 people, plus a further \$7,857” with “\$84,265 for the first 6 people, plus a further \$7,898”.

5 Revocation

The Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/33) are revoked.

Michael Webster,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 1 April 2015, amend the Health Entitlement Cards Regulations 1993.

The amendments raise the income entitlement thresholds that are used to determine a person’s eligibility for a community services card. These increases reflect a 0.51% increase in the New Zealand Consumers Price Index from the December 2013 quarter

to the December 2014 quarter (calculated for all quarters using the New Zealand Consumers Price Index (All Groups), excluding cigarettes and other tobacco products).

The amendments further raise the income entitlement thresholds to ensure that current recipients of New Zealand superannuation or the veterans' pension do not lose eligibility for a community services card as a result of the increase to the rates of those benefits under the Social Security (Rates of Benefits and Allowances) Order 2015 and the Veterans' Support Amendment Regulations 2015.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.
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Reprints notes

1 *General*

This is a reprint of the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2015 that incorporates all the amendments to those regulations as at the date of the last amendment to them.

2 *Legal status*

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

3 *Editorial and format changes*

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/>.

4 *Amendments incorporated in this reprint*

Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/29): regulation 5(a)