

**Reprint
as at 1 April 2018**



Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2017
(LI 2017/29)

Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2017: revoked, on 1 April 2018, by regulation 7 of the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/25).

Patsy Reddy, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 27th day of February 2017

Present:

The Right Hon Bill English presiding in Council

These regulations are made under section 92 of the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 and section 132A of the Social Security Act 1964 on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council.

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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 2017.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 April 2017.

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 “\$26,042” with “\$26,330”.
- (2) In regulation 8(5)(b), replace “\$27,637” with “\$27,942”.
- (3) In regulation 8(5)(c), replace “\$41,327” with “\$41,783”.
- (4) In regulation 8(5A)(a), replace “\$26,633” with “\$26,949”.
- (5) In regulation 8(5A)(b), replace “\$28,279” with “\$28,626”.
- (6) In regulation 8(5A)(c), replace “\$42,309” with “\$42,836”.
- (7) In regulation 8(6)(a), replace “\$49,447” with “\$49,993”.
- (8) In regulation 8(6)(b), replace “\$59,743” with “\$60,402”.
- (9) In regulation 8(6)(c), replace “\$67,932” with “\$68,682”.
- (10) In regulation 8(6)(d), replace “\$75,952” with “\$76,790”.
- (11) In regulation 8(6)(e), replace “\$84,915 for the first 6 people, plus a further \$7,898” with “\$85,852 for the first 6 people, plus a further \$7,986”.

5 Revocations

The following are revoked:

- (a) the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2015 (LI 2015/29); and
- (b) regulation 4(3) to (7) of the Health Entitlement Cards Amendment Regulations 2016.

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 2017, 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 1.10% increase in the New Zealand Consumers Price Index from the December 2015 quarter to the December 2016 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 2017 and the Veterans' Support Amendment Regulations 2017.

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 2017 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 2018 (LI 2018/25): regulation 7