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Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act

Prescribed Qualifications for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioners to Supply, Administer or Possess Vaccines

I, Hugh Crosbie Heggie, Chief Health Officer:

- (a) under section 63(2) of the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act* and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act*, revoke the prescription of qualifications in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners made by instrument entitled "Prescribed Qualifications to Supply or Administer or Possess Vaccinations" dated 9 November 2016 and published in *Gazette* S115 of 21 November 2016; and
- (b) under section 63(2) of the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act*, prescribe the qualifications specified in the Schedule, Part A, for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner (***practitioner***), in the course of practising in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice profession, to supply or administer a Schedule 4 substance that is a vaccine to another person, and possess the substance for those purposes.

Dated 15 May 2017

H. C. Heggie
Chief Health Officer

Schedule

Part A

1 Definitions

In this Schedule:

NT up-skill course means the About Giving Vaccines Up-Skill Course developed by the Northern Territory Centre for Disease Control.

refresher course means an immunisation refresher course delivered by the provider of a relevant course.

relevant course means a course listed in the Schedule, Part B.

2 Qualifications

- (a) The practitioner must be registered in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice profession without conditions.
- (b) The practitioner must have completed:
 - (i) a relevant course; and
 - (ii) a refresher course, or the NT up-skill course, at least once every 3 years after completing the relevant course.
- (d) The practitioner must hold a current Basic Life Support Certificate (HLTAID002) or Provide First Aid (HLTAID003) Certificate.

Part B

State/Territory	Provider	Course
New South Wales	The Australian College of Nursing	Immunisation for Registered Nurses and Midwives
Northern Territory	Centre for Disease Control	About Giving Vaccines Course
Queensland	Australian Catholic University	The Program for Nurse Immunisers
Queensland	Central Queensland Health Service District Education and Research Unit	Advanced Nursing Practice: Immunisation Course
Queensland	Cunningham Centre – Toowoomba and Cairns	Immunisation Program – Registered Nurse Health (Drugs and Poisons) Regulation 1996
Queensland	University of Southern Queensland	ANP5004 Immunisation Nursing
Queensland	Yangulla Centre Rural Health Training Unit	Advanced Nursing Practice: Immunisation Course
South Australia	Department of Health and Ageing	South Australian Two Day Immunisation Education Workshop
South Australia	Department of Health and Ageing	Immunise the Basics
South Australia	Department of Health and Ageing	A Short Course on Immunology and Immunisation for Nurses
South Australia	Department of Health and Ageing	Understanding Vaccines and the National Immunisation Program
Tasmania	University of Tasmania	Immunisation Education for Registered Nurses
Victoria	La Trobe University	Nurse Immuniser Program
Victoria	University of Melbourne General Practice and Primary Health Care Academic Centre	Immunisation and Travel Health

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Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act

Prescribed Qualifications for Nurses and Midwives to Supply, Administer or Possess Vaccines

I, Hugh Crosbie Heggie, Chief Health Officer:

- (a) under section 65(1A) of the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act* and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act*, revoke the prescription of qualifications in relation to nurses or midwives made by instrument entitled "Prescribed Qualifications to Supply or Administer or Possess Vaccinations" dated 9 November 2016 and published in *Gazette* S115 of 21 November 2016; and
- (b) under section 65(1A) of the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act*, prescribe the qualifications specified in the Schedule, Part A, for a nurse or midwife (***practitioner***), in the course of practising in the nursing and midwifery profession, to supply or administer a Schedule 4 substance that is a vaccine to another person, and possess the substance for those purposes.

Dated 15 May 2017

H. C. Heggie
Chief Health Officer

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Part A

1 Definitions

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relevant course means a course listed in the Schedule, Part B.

2 Qualifications

- (a) The practitioner must be registered in the nursing and midwifery profession without conditions.
- (b) The practitioner must have completed:
 - (i) a relevant course; and
 - (ii) a refresher course, or the NT up-skill course, at least once every 3 years after completing the relevant course.
- (c) The practitioner must hold a current Basic Life Support Certificate (HLTAID002) or Provide First Aid (HLTAID003) Certificate.

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