

Changes to board members, company directors and partners of firms and trusts

1. Purpose

To outline the notification requirements of Licence Holders of a licensed healthcare facility when a change to board members, company directors or partners/members of a firm or trust occurs.

2. Legislative Requirements

In accordance to the *Private Hospitals and Health Services Act 1927 (the* Act), section 26D (2) the Chief Executive Officer, Director General of Health may impose terms and conditions on a licence. The general terms and conditions are listed in an appendix to the licence called 'Annexure A Additional Licence Terns and Conditions'.

Annexure A refers to a specific condition requiring that a licence holder notify the Licensing and Accreditation Regulatory Unit (LARU) within four weeks of any change in the constitution of the company board, the membership of a firm or trust as applicable

Any changes must comply with the requirements set out in the Licensing Standards for Assessing the Suitability of a Licence Applicant or a Licence Holder (the Standards) in relation to establishing the identity of the applicant or licence holder, their character and reputation, their material and financial resources and their competency to operate a hospital.

3. Licence Holder Notification requirements

When there is a change in board members, company directors or partners/members of a firm or trust, the form titled "Declaration of Change in Board Members, Company Directors and Partners of a Firm" shall be completed and provided to the LARU within four weeks of the change occurring. The form <u>Declaration of Change in Board Members</u>, <u>Company Directors and Partners of a Firm</u> requests information related to the Standards as outlined below.

3.1. Standard 1 - Identity

A declaration that the new board member, company director or partner of a firm or trust, as applicable, shall meet the age and identity criteria.

3.2. Standard 2 - Character and Reputation

- A character reference and a national police clearance certificate (dated within the
 preceding 6 months) for the new board member, company director or partner of a firm
 or trust, as applicable, is forwarded to the LARU. In relation to the character reference
 the person providing the reference should have known the person for at least 3 years
 in a work-related capacity.
- A declaration that the new board member, company director or partner/member of a firm or trust, as applicable, can demonstrate they have not been convicted/are not

subject to any charge for an offence which, if convicted, would render them unsuitable to hold a licence.

3.3. Standard 3 – Material and Financial Resources

A declaration that the new board member, company director or partner of a firm or trust as applicable can demonstrate evidence of:

- Sufficient material and financial resources to conduct the private licensed facility
- insurance and indemnity that is reasonably appropriate to the private licensed health facility.

3.4. Standard 4 – Competency

A declaration that the new board member, company director or partner of a firm or trust, as applicable can demonstrate that operational management personnel:

- Have appropriate skills and qualifications
- are persons who are fit to manage and control the private licensed health facility
- understand and comply with the duties and obligations of governing the private licensed health facility.

4. Review

This document will be reviewed as required to determine effectiveness, relevance and currency and at least every 3 years.

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5. Approval

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