

South Australia

Health Care (Engagement Strategies) Variation Regulations 2019

under the *Health Care Act 2008*

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Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Health Care (Engagement Strategies) Variation Regulations 2019*.

2—Commencement

These regulations come into operation on 1 July 2019.

3—Variation provisions

In these regulations, a provision under a heading referring to the variation of specified regulations varies the regulations so specified.

Part 2—Variation of *Health Care Regulations 2008*

4—Insertion of regulation 7A

After regulation 7 insert:

7A—Prescribed requirements for engagement strategies

- (1) For the purposes of section 33A(3)(a) of the Act, the clinician engagement strategy developed by a governing board must—
 - (a) include the following:
 - (i) the objectives of the strategy;

- (ii) an outline of how the strategy will contribute to the achievement of the functions of the governing board;
 - (iii) the manner in which consultation with health professionals will be conducted;
 - (iv) an outline of the key issues that will form the basis of consultation with health professionals, including issues focussed on the safety and quality of health services, service planning and design, service delivery and the monitoring and evaluation of service delivery;
 - (v) an outline of how the governing board will use information obtained from implementing the strategy to continuously improve consultation with health professionals;
 - (vi) an outline of how the effectiveness of consultation with health professionals under the strategy will be measured and publicly reported; and
 - (b) have regard to national and State strategies, policies, agreements and standards relevant to promoting consultation with health professionals; and
 - (c) outline the relationship between each of the following:
 - (i) the governing board's consumer and community engagement strategy;
 - (ii) the governing board's clinician engagement strategy;
 - (iii) providers of health services, including providers of primary health care services.
- (2) For the purposes of section 33A(3)(a) of the Act, the consumer and community engagement strategy developed by a governing board must—
- (a) include the following:
 - (i) the objectives of the strategy;
 - (ii) an outline of how the strategy will contribute to the achievement of the functions of the governing board;
 - (iii) the manner in which consultation with health consumers and members of the community will be conducted, including the manner in which consultation by health professionals and staff members with health consumers and members of the community will be conducted;

- (iv) an outline of the key issues that will form the basis of consultation with health consumers and members of the community, including issues focussed on the safety and quality of health services, service planning and design, service delivery and the monitoring and evaluation of service delivery;
 - (v) an outline of how the governing board will use information obtained from implementing the strategy to identify and consult with health consumers and members of the community—
 - (A) who are or are at risk of experiencing poor health outcomes; or
 - (B) who may have difficulty accessing health services;
 - (vi) an outline of how the effectiveness of consultation with health consumers and members of the community under the strategy will be measured and publicly reported; and
- (b) have regard to national and State strategies, policies, agreements and standards relevant to promoting consultation with health consumers and members of the community about the provision of health services; and
- (c) outline the relationship between each of the following:
- (i) the governing board's consumer and community engagement strategy;
 - (ii) the governing board's clinician engagement strategy;
 - (iii) providers of health services, including providers of primary health care services.

Note—

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1978*, the Minister has certified that, in the Minister's opinion, it is necessary or appropriate that these regulations come into operation as set out in these regulations.

Made by the Governor

with the advice and consent of the Executive Council
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