Medical Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Auckland District Health Board) Notice (No 2) 2003

Pursuant to section 68(1) of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995, the Minister of Health gives the following notice.

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Notice

1 Title

This notice is the Medical Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Auckland District Health Board) Notice (No 2) 2003.

2 Commencement

This notice comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

3 Declaration of quality assurance activity

The quality assurance activity called the "Auckland District Health Board case record review system" and described in the Schedule is a quality assurance activity to which Part VI of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995 applies.

4 Duration of notice

This notice remains in force for a period of 5 years after the date on which it is issued, unless it is sooner revoked.

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Schedule

Description of Auckland District Health Board case record review system

1 Interpretation

In this schedule, **activity** means the Auckland District Health Board case record review system.

2 Sponsor

The activity is carried out under the auspices of the Auckland District Health Board.

3 Nature of activity

(1) The activity is based on information derived from Auckland District Health Board.

(2) The activity involves—

(a) the selection of case record reviews to identify adverse clinical events or outcomes in the provision of hospital health services by medical practitioners; and

(b) the review of adverse clinical events or outcomes identified; and

(c) the development of strategies to reduce the incidence of adverse clinical events or outcomes in the provision of hospital health services by the medical practitioners.

4 Objective

The objective of the activity is to improve the quality of care provided by medical practitioners engaged in the activity.

Dated at Wellington this 26th day of August 2003.

Hon Annette King,
Minister of Health.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This notice declares that the quality assurance activity called the Auckland District Health Board case record review system is a quality assurance activity to which Part VI of the Medical Practitioners Act 1995 applies. Medical practitioners who provide health services for the Auckland District Health Board will participate in the activity.

The effect of this declaration is that, subject to certain exceptions,—

- any information that becomes known solely as a result of this quality assurance activity is confidential; and
- any documents brought into existence solely for the purposes of this quality assurance activity are confidential; and
- the persons who engage in the quality assurance activity in good faith are immune from civil liability.

This notice remains in force for a period 5 years after the date on which it is issued, unless it is sooner revoked.

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