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Public Hospitals (Amendment) Act 1995.

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#### INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

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entitled

## Public Hospitals (Amendment) Act 1995,

Being an Act to amend the Public Hospitals Act 1994.

MADE by the National Parliament to come into operation in accordance with a notice in the National Gazette by the Head of State, acting with, and in accordance with, the advice of the Minister.

### 1. NEW SECTION 6A.

The Principal Act is amended by inserting after Section 6 the following new section:-

### "6A. OBJECTS OF BOARDS.

In relation to the public hospital for which it is established, the objects of a Board are -

- (a) to make the public hospital accountable to the local community; and
- (b) to provide services in the public hospital appropriate and acceptable to the local community; and
- (c) to encourage the local community to participate in planning and in the decision-making process in relation to the public hospital.".

# 2. FUNCTIONS OF BOARDS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 7).

Section 7(1) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after Paragraph (h) the following new Paragraph:-

"(ha) to supervise, assist and monitor curative services provided by lower level health facilities and to support their operations.".

## 3. CONSTITUTION OF BOARDS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 10).

Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended -.

- (a) by repealing Subsection (1)(e) and replacing it with the following:-
  - "(e) three shall represent the local community of whom one shall be a woman nominated by the women's group in the local community."; and

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- (b) by repealing Subsection (2) and replacing it with the following:-
  - "(2) A Board constituted under Subsection (1) shall also include, as an *ex officio* member, the Chief Executive Officer who shall be an advisory member of the Board.".
- 4. REPEAL OF SECTION 11.
  Section 11 of the Principal Act is repealed.
- REPEAL OF SECTION 13.
   Section 13 of the Principal Act is repealed.
- 6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 14).
  Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended by adding the following words:-

"after consultation with the Chairman.".

- 7. VACATION OF OFFICE (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 16).

  Section 16(2)(f) of the Principal Act is repealed and is replaced with the following:-
  - "(f) is convicted of an offence punishable under any law by a term of imprisonment or by death,".
- 8. MEETINGS OF BOARDS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 19).
  Section 19 of the Principal Act is amended -
  - (a) in Subsection (2)(b), by repealing the word "two" and replacing it with the following:-

"three"; and

(b) in Subsection (5)(a), by repealing the word "three" and replacing it with the following:-

"five".

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 22).

Section 22(2)(a) of the Principal Act is repealed and is replaced with the following:-

- "(a) shall be appointed by the Board through a selection process approved by the Departmental Head of the Department responsible for personnel matters;".
- 10. VACATION OF OFFICE (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 24).

Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended -

(a) in Subsection (3), by repealing the words "in consultation with the Minister" and replacing them with the following:-

"after consultation with the Departmental Head of the Department responsible for personnel matters"; and

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(b) in Subsection (4), by repealing the words "in consultation with the Minister" and replacing them with the following:-

> "after consultation with the Departmental Head of the Department responsible for personnel matters".

11. FUNDS OF BOARDS-(AMENDMENT-OF-SECTION 31). Section 31(b) of the Principal Act is repealed and is replaced with the following: -

- "(b) fees and charges imposed for -
  - (i) the provision of -
    - (A) medical services; and
    - (B) patient accommodation; and
    - (C) patient subsistence; and(D) drugs; and
  - (ii) other services provided to the patient;".

I hereby certify that the above is a fair print of Public Hospitals (Amendment) Act 1995 which has been made by the National Parliament.

Clerk of the National Parliament.

I hereby certify that the Public Hospitals (Amendment) Act 1995 was made by the National Parliament on 21 November 1995.

Speaker of the National Parliament.

