Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Queensland Health
Name of the proposal	Health Legislation Amendment Regulation 2026
Submission type	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	*Hospital and Health Boards Regulation 2023* *Public Health Regulation 2018* *Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Regulation 2021*
Date of issue	October 2026

Proposal type	Details
Minor and machinery in nature	The Health Legislation Amendment Regulation 2026 includes amendments to the: • *Hospital and Health Boards Regulation 2023* and *Public Health Regulation 2018* to: – prescribe the Florey Institute as an entity to which confidential information can be disclosed for the purposes of maintaining a national data collection for Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease; – prescribe an agreement between Queensland Health and other agencies to enable the sharing of confidential information for the purposes of interagency coordination and management of zoonotic (animal-human disease transmission) incidents; • *Hospital and Health Boards Regulation 2023* to include BioGrid Australia Ltd as a prescribed entity to enable confidential information about thoracic (chest) surgery patients to be disclosed to BioGrid Australia, and to enable Queensland Health to contribute to and participate in the Australian and Aotearoa New Zealand Thoracic Clinical Quality Registry maintained by BioGrid Australia; • *Public Health Regulation 2018* to: – omit an expired confidentiality agreement prescribed in the regulation for the purposes of information sharing between Queensland Health and the University of Melbourne; – prescribe the University of New South Wales' Kirby Institute (Kirby Institute) as an entity to which confidential information can be disclosed for the purposes of maintaining a national data collection for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV); – more accurately reflect the *Australian Drinking Water Guidelines,* as published by the National Health and Medical Research Council, for the quality standards for radioactivity in drinking water and recycled water intended to augment a supply of drinking water;

	• *Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Regulation 2021* to: – expand authorisations for public health officers, enabling them to participate in low-risk pest control activities to improve effective mosquito surveillance and management; and – remove duplicative notification requirements for pest management technicians carrying out work in connection with an authorised prevention and control program in relation to mosquitoes. The amendments are minor and machinery in nature and are likely to result in no costs to businesses or the community. Queensland Health has identified that no further regulatory impact analysis is required under *The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy*.

Signed



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