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POISONS AND THERAPEUTIC GOODS REGULATION 2008

AUTHORITY

Supply of poisons and restricted substances

I, Kerry Chant, Chief Health Officer, a duly appointed delegate of the Secretary, NSW Health, make this instrument pursuant to clause 170 of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* (NSW) [the Regulation] for the purposes of clause 17 and clause 53 of the Regulation and section 10(2)(b) and section 10(4)(d) of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966*. Pursuant to clause 171(1) of the Regulation, the authorisation is granted subject to conditions.

KERRY CHANT Chief Health Officer (Delegation Numbers PH427, PH380 & PH381)

Date: 19/2/21

Authorisation to Supply Poisons and Restricted Substances

1 Authorisation

This order authorises the Authorised Person to supply the following poisons and restricted substances:

Poison or Restricted Substance		
Adrenaline	Mumps vaccine	
Diphtheria toxoid	Pertussis vaccine	
Haemophilus influenzae (type b) vaccine	Pneumococcal vaccine	
Hepatitis A vaccine	Poliomyelitis vaccine	
Hepatitis B vaccine	Rotavirus vaccine	
Human papillomavirus vaccine	Rubella vaccine	
Influenza vaccine	Tetanus toxoid	
Measles vaccine	Varicella vaccine	
Meningococcal ACWY and B vaccines		

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This order also authorises the Authorised Persons who has completed additional training referred to at clause 2(2) and clause 2(3), respectively, to supply:

Poison or restricted substance	
Tuberculin (purified protein derivative)	Tuberculosis (BCG) vaccine
SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) vaccine	

2 Authorised Person or Class of Persons

- An Authorised Person is a Registered Nurse or Registered Midwife who has successfully completed:
 - a. The NSW Department of Health Immunisation Accreditation Program for Registered Nurses prior to 2001, or
 - The immunisation education program administered by the Australian College of Nursing or its predecessors prior to 1 December 2020, or
 - c. An interstate immunisation education program, as approved by the Australian College of Nursing prior to 1 December 2020, or
 - d. An immunisation course for registered nurses and midwives that conforms to the National Immunisation Education Framework for Health Professionals, following accreditation by Health Education Services Australia (HESA) and published on the list of approved courses on the HESA website, or
 - e. An interstate immunisation education program that conforms to the National Immunisation Education Framework for Health Professionals, as approved by an education provider following the accreditation of their course by HESA and listing of their course on the HESA website.
- 2. For the purposes of supply and administration of a SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) vaccine, an Authorised Person is a Registered Nurse or Registered Midwife who, in addition to the requirements at clause 2(1), has successfully completed:
 - a. Core COVID-19 training modules from the *COVID-19 Vaccination Training Program* developed by the Commonwealth Department of Health in partnership with the Australian College of Nursing; and
 - b. Additional COVID-19 training modules from the *COVID-19 Vaccination Training Program* developed by the Commonwealth Department of Health in partnership with the Australian College of Nursing and listed below:
 - i. For the purposes of supply and administration of Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine, the training module on the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine

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- For the purposes of supply and administration of Oxford University/AstraZeneca vaccine, the training module on the Oxford University/AstraZeneca vaccine
- 3. For the purposes of supply and administration of Tuberculin (purified protein derivative) and Tuberculosis (Bacille Calmette Guèrin BCG) vaccine, an Authorised Person is a Registered Nurse or Registered Midwife who, in addition to the requirements at clause 2(1), has successfully completed:
 - a. a HESA accredited immunisation course for registered nurses and midwives (or completion of the immunisation education program administered by the Australian College of Nursing prior to 1 December 2020;

AND

 the Immunisation: Tuberculosis Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) course for Tuberculin; the Immunisation: Tuberculosis Bacille Calmette-Guèrin (BCG) course for the Tuberculosis vaccine;

or

 the NSW Health Department Immunisation Accreditation Course for Registered Nurses prior to 2001 and, who undertook additional specialist training in the administration of Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) or Bacille Calmette-Guèrin (BCG)

3 Conditions

- a. The Authorised Person is employed or engaged to provide immunisation services, and
- b. The Authorised Person administers a vaccine only while employed or engaged to provide immunisation services, and only as specified in the digital Australian Immunisation Handbook and if relevant, the NSW Policy Directive 2021_003 Standard operating procedure for administration of COVID-19 vaccines in NSW vaccination clinics, and
- c. The pre and post-vaccination assessment and administration of each vaccine is undertaken in accordance with the procedures specified in the digital Australian Immunisation Handbook, or for the COVID-19 vaccination the NSW Policy Directive 2021_003 Standard operating procedure for administration of COVID-19 vaccines in NSW vaccination clinics, and
- d. The poisons and restricted substances are stored in accordance with the requirements under the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008*,

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National Vaccine Storage Guidelines 'Strive for 5' or as stated on the respective manufacturer's pack, or for the COVID-19 vaccination the NSW Policy Directive 2021_003 Standard operating procedure for administration of COVID-19 vaccines in NSW vaccination clinics, and

- e. During each vaccination clinic the Authorised Person carries a complete anaphylaxis kit with in-date adrenaline for use in the treatment of anaphylaxis, and
- f. The Authorised Person ensures that procedures for the administration of adrenaline comply with the procedures specified in the digital *Australian Immunisation Handbook*, and
- g. The Authorised Person must report each adverse event following immunisation to the local Public Health Unit, and
- h. The Authorised Person ensures that a designated medical officer is contactable for medical advice during the vaccination clinic, and
- i. All vaccinations administered must be recorded on the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR), and
- j. To maintain authority to immunise, the Authorised Person annually reviews best practice policy for immunisation. This may be, but is not limited to, attendance at seminars on current practices. An annual statement of proficiency in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation must also be obtained.

4 Revocation

Previous authorisation to supply poisons and restricted substances dated 9 December 2020 published in the New South Wales Government Gazette 18 December 2020 is hereby revoked.

5 Validity

This authority commences on the day it is signed and dated, and expires on the date 15 February 2024, or otherwise on a date that this authority is revoked.

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ORDER

Withdrawal of Drug Authority

In accordance with the provisions of clause 175(1) of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* an Order has been made on **Dr Kazi Nasreen Anwar ELY (MED0001886984)**, of ROSEMEADOW NSW 2560, prohibiting her until further notice, as a medical practitioner, from supplying or having possession of drugs of addiction as authorised by clause 101 of the Regulation and issuing a prescription for a drug of addiction as authorised by clause 77 of the Regulation.

This Order is to take effect on and from 5 March 2021.

Dated at Sydney, 2 March 2021.

ELIZABETH KOFF Secretary, NSW Health

POISONS AND THERAPEUTIC GOODS REGULATION 2008

ORDER

Withdrawal of Drug Authority

In accordance with the provisions of clause 175(1) of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* an Order has been made on **Dr Niranjan HOLLA (MED0001167024)**, of HORNSBY NSW 2077, prohibiting him until further notice, as a medical practitioner, from supplying or having possession of drugs of addiction as authorised by clause 101 of the Regulation and issuing a prescription for a drug of addiction as authorised by clause 77 of the Regulation.

This Order is to take effect on and from 8 March 2021.

Dated at Sydney, 4 March 2021.

ELIZABETH KOFF Secretary, NSW Health