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HEALTH PROFESSIONALS (SPECIAL EVENTS EXCEPTION) ACT 1997

Order declaring the AFC Asian Cup Australia 2015 a “special event”

I, Dr Kerry Chant, Chief Health Officer, delegate of the Minister:

- 1) pursuant to sections 5 (1) and (2) of the *Health Professional (Special Events Exemption) Act 1997* (“Act”), do hereby declare the AFC Asian Cup Australia 2015 to be a special event for the purpose of the Act; and
- 2) pursuant to section 5 (3) of the Act, do hereby specify the period from 22 December 2014 to 31 January 2015, both days being inclusive, as the period during which the exemptions under sections 11 (1), (2) and (3) of the Act shall have effect; and
- 3) pursuant to section 5 (5) of the Act, do hereby specify that for the purposes of section 7 (c) of the Act that the following procedure applies to the giving of notice of a person’s intention to provide health services in the State:
 - a. notice is taken to have been given in respect any visiting health practitioner, being medical practitioners and physiotherapists, whose name was provided to the Ministry of Health, in relation to this special event, on or before the date of this order; and
 - b. notice of any other visiting health practitioner, being a medical practitioner or physiotherapist, can be given to the Ministry of Health by the Commonwealth Department of Health or the NSW Health Emergency Management Unit; and
 - c. such notice must include the name of the country to whose team members those visiting health practitioners will be providing health services; and
- 4) pursuant to section 10 (2) (b) of the Act, do hereby authorise a visiting medical practitioner to supply a restricted substances or drugs or addiction within the meaning of the NSW *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966* provided that:
 - a. the supply is for the treatment of team members of a named AFC Asian Cup team referred to in clause 3 above; and
 - b. the visiting medical practitioner has complied with all laws in bringing the restricted substances or drugs or addiction into the country; and
 - c. the visiting medical practitioner complies with any guidelines or directions issued by the Secretary of the Ministry of Health or the Chief Pharmacist.

Signed this 18th day of December 2014

KERRY CHANT
Chief Health Officer
Delegate of the Minister

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