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Regulations with respect to Private Hospitals, under Section 18 of "The Public Health Act Amendment Act, 1903."

PLUNKET, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of July, 1904.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Public Health Act Amendment Act, 1903," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulations for the licensing and inspection of private hospitals, and doth hereby declare that such regulations shall take effect on and after the first day of August next.

REGULATIONS.

INTERPRETATION.—"Private hospital" shall mean any house, building, tent, or place, other than an institution in receipt of aid from the State, in which persons (hereinafter called "patients") are received and lodged, or in which it is intended that they shall be received and lodged, for medical or surgical treatment or care, and a charge is made for such treatment, attendance, or care.

1. From and after the coming into operation of these regulations no private hospital shall be carried on, used, or conducted except under authority of a license duly granted under these regulations.

2. Every such license shall be a yearly license, terminating on the 31st day of December in each year.

3. Every application for a license shall contain the name of the applicant and manager. The applicant shall deposit with the District Health Officer complete plans showing the number of rooms and the dimensions of each, and the number of beds available for patients, the drainage, the water-supply, means of ventilation, and the positions of the closets and the lavatory conveniences. These must be approved by the Minister of Public Health before any license be granted, and no alterations from the plans so deposited shall be made in any licensed building without his written consent. The applicant shall also produce with his application such proof of character and fitness as the Minister of Public Health may prescribe from time to time.

4. The fee for registration shall be 5s., payable on the 1st day of January in each year: Provided that where application for a license is first made after the 1st day of January in any year a license may be issued for the unexpired portion of that year.

5. Every manager of a licensed hospital shall keep a register, which shall be open to the inspection of the Chief Health Officer, District Health Officer, or other officer which the Governor may direct, in which shall be recorded—

- (a.) The full name, age, and usual residence of every patient admitted, and the date of admission.
- (b.) The nature of the ailment or disease.
- (c.) The date when the patient left the hospital; or, in the event of death, the date of such death.

6. No part of a licensed hospital in which patients are suffering from any infectious disease (excepting enteric fever) shall be used for the reception of patients during or immediately after childbirth.

7. Whenever a case of puerperal fever (including all puerperal conditions depending on infection) occurs or is admitted to a hospital, no lying-in patient shall be admitted until the officer of health certify that, in his opinion, there is no risk of further infection.

8. Complete disinfection of every room which has been occupied by any case of infectious disease shall be performed immediately the patient leaves the same.

9. Every licensed hospital which has provision for more than twenty patients shall have a mortuary, constructed of stone or brick, with cement floors, separate from the main building.

10. Every private hospital shall be open to inspection by the Chief Health Officer, District Health Officer, or other officer whom the Governor may direct.

11. If any person shall commit a breach of, or fail to observe, the provisions of these regulations, he shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding £20.

LICENSE FOR A PRIVATE HOSPITAL.

Section 18, "Public Health Act Amendment Act, 1903."

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A. B., having paid the sum of 5s., is hereby authorised and licensed to use and conduct the premises described in the Schedule hereto as a private hospital for the year ending , 190 , subject to the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1900," and its amendments, and the several regulations for the time being made and in force thereunder relating to private hospitals.

Dated this day of , 190 .

SCHEDULE.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

