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Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill (No.1) 2010 – Conditional Listing of Prostheses and new Part C of the Prostheses List.

Previously cited as Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2009.

The *Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill (No.1) 2010* (the Bill) was passed by the Senate on 18 March 2010 and came into effect on 13 April 2010.

The Bill amends the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007* to allow the Prostheses Rules:

- to include additional circumstances or conditions that must be satisfied before a private health insurance benefit is payable for some prostheses (conditional listing); and
- to include additional criteria in relation to the listing of prostheses on the Prostheses List. Additional criteria will be developed for the new Part C to the Prostheses List proposed by the Government. Criteria for Part C are currently being developed by the Government, taking into account advice from the Prostheses and Devices Committee (PDC).

The Private Health Insurance (Prostheses) Rules will be amended in due course.

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