

# Private Health Insurance Circular



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## **AMENDMENT TO THE PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE (PROSTHESES) RULES 2014 (NO. 1)**

The purpose of this Circular is to inform stakeholders that the delegate of the Minister for Health intends to amend the Prostheses List by making the *Private Health Insurance (Prostheses) Amendment Rules 2014 (No. 3)* (the Amendment Rules). The Amendment Rules are intended to commence on 6 December 2014.

The Amendment Rules will amend the Prostheses List by:

- expanding billing code - ZI489 into 2 new billing codes;
- adding 7 new billing codes to Part A following the granting of applications
- increasing the minimum benefits for AS203 and AS204 following a review of these prostheses;
- changing the groupings of BX320 and BX312 to reflect their correct groupings;
- amending the product name and description of MC668 at the request of the sponsor;
- applying the correct suffix ">55mm" to NV092 with no change in benefit;
- adding 1 new billing code to Part B following the granting of an application;
- changing the facility name for two billing codes – TBV52 and TBV53 – to "Donor Tissue Bank of Victoria (formerly *Victorian Institute for Forensic Medicine*); and
- deleting 5 billing codes for femoral heads in Part B as they are no longer supplied by the facilities.

Details of these changes are listed in **Attachment A**.

It is anticipated that the Amendment Rules will be published on 21 November 2014.

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