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PROSTHESES LIST GUIDE AND UPDATED WEBSITE

The purpose of this circular is to inform stakeholders about the draft *Prostheses List* – *guide to listing and benefits for prostheses* (the Prostheses List guide), new application and request forms, and the revised formation about the prostheses arrangements on the Department of Health website.

Prostheses List guide

The Prostheses List guide has been revised over a number of months to update the information about the prostheses arrangements and to provide clearer information for applicants about the information they need to provide to support applications to list new prostheses and requests for changes to current listings.

The revised guide also reflects the new Prostheses List Management System (PLMS) online portal and the associated processes for submitting applications to list new prostheses and human tissues and to request changes to current listings.

The Prostheses List guide has been published as a draft for feedback. Comments and suggestions for improvements are welcome until 30 June 2016, and should be emailed to Prostheses@health.gov.au, with "Prostheses List guide feedback" in the subject line.

Application and request forms

A new suite of application and request forms has been published on the website. The forms have been revised in conjunction with development of the PLMS to simplify the application process.

Applications and requests should be submitted via PLMS wherever possible; however if PLMS is not accessible, medical device sponsors and suppliers can submit applications and request using the paper-based forms.

Completed forms can be emailed to Prostheses@health.gov.au and the Prostheses secretariat will upload the information to PLMS.

Prostheses List webpage

The webpage has been revised to update the information available and to publish information more effectively.

The website features essential information about the prostheses arrangements and links to more detailed sources of information.

Information on the prostheses arrangements specifically for consumers will also be published on the Department of Health website.

The URL for the Prostheses List webpage, including the Prostheses List guide and the application and request forms is

http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-privatehealth-prostheseslist.htm