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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Medicines and Poisons* (*Medicines*) *Amendment Regulation* (*No. 4*) 2025.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 December 2025.

3 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Medicines and Poisons* (*Medicines*) Regulation 2021.

4 Amendment of s 86 (Content of written prescription)

Section 86(1)(m)—

omit, insert—

(m) if the medicine is a restricted medicine—the details of the prescriber's authorisation to prescribe the restricted medicine.

Examples for paragraph (m)—

- the identifying number of the prescribing approval held by the prescriber
- the qualifications of the prescriber

5 Amendment of s 87 (Additional content of written prescription for S8 medicine)

(1) Section 87(2)(c)—

omit, insert—

- (c) if the S8 medicine is a psychostimulant medicine—
 - (i) words to indicate the condition being treated; or

(ii) the words 'specified condition' if the medicine is for the treatment of a specified condition.

(2) Section 87—

insert—

(7) In this section—

specified condition means—

- (a) ADHD; or
- (b) brain injury; or
- (c) narcolepsy.

6 Amendment of s 161 (Selling S3 medicine with instructions for use)

Section 161(3), example, 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

7 Amendment of s 234 (Unlawful advertising of medicines)

Section 234(2)(a)(ii)—

omit, insert—

- (ii) in accordance with the Therapeutic Goods Advertising Code under the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989* (Cwlth); or
- 8 Amendment of sch 1 (Extended practice authorities and departmental standards)

Schedule 1, part 1, table— *omit, insert*—

Name	Version
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners	6
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers	4
Indigenous health workers	5
Queensland Ambulance Service	5
Midwives	5
Registered nurses	6
Pharmacists	9
Pharmacists—community pharmacy chronic conditions management pilot	1
Physiotherapists	3

9 Amendment of sch 2 (Categories of medicines)

- (1) Schedule 2, part 1, division 1, entry for hydroxychloroquine— *omit.*
- (2) Schedule 2, part 1, division 2, entries for amfetamines and methylphenidate— *omit*.
- (3) Schedule 2, part 1, division 2—

 insert—

all psychostimulant medicines

10 Omission of sch 4, pt 1, div 3 (Specialist dentists)

Schedule 4, part 1, division 3—*omit.*

11 Amendment of sch 4, pt 2 (Dental hygienists)

Schedule 4, section 9, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (a), first dot point—

omit, insert—

• an adrenaline (epinephrine) device;

12 Amendment of sch 4, pt 3 (Dental therapists)

Schedule 4, section 11, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (a), first dot point—

omit, insert—

• an adrenaline (epinephrine) device;

13 Amendment of sch 4, pt 4 (Oral health therapists)

Schedule 4, section 13, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (a), first dot point—

omit, insert—

• an adrenaline (epinephrine) device;

14 Amendment of sch 5, pt 2 (First aid providers)

Schedule 5, section 6, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (b), 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

an adrenaline (epinephrine) device

Omission of sch 6, pt 1, div 4 (Continuing treatment with hydroxychloroquine)

Schedule 6, part 1, division 4— *omit.*

16 Replacement of sch 6, pt 1, div 5 (Dealing with amfetamines or methylphenidates)

Schedule 6, part 1, division 5—

omit, insert—

Division 5 Dealing with psychostimulant medicines

11 Definition for division

In this division—

relevant condition means—

- (a) narcolepsy; or
- (b) ADHD, or brain injury, of a child patient who is 4 years or more.

12 Class of person

A medical practitioner.

13 Dealing authorised

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1	prescribe	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is prescribed for the treatment of a relevant condition
2	give a treatment dose	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is given for the treatment of a relevant condition
3	dispense	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is dispensed for the treatment of a relevant condition

	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Dealing	Medicine	Scope of dealing
4	administer	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is administered for the treatment of a relevant condition
5	give a	stock of a	the stock is for the treatment
	purchase	psychostimulant	of relevant conditions, other
	order	medicine	than at a specified place
6	possess	a psychostimulant medicine is possessed a purpose mentioned in the column	

17 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, hdg (Specialist medical practitioners)

Schedule 6, part 2, heading, after 'practitioners'—

insert—

and registrars

18 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 3 (Dermatologists)

Schedule 6, section 22, 'hydroxychloroquine,'— *omit.*

19 Omission of sch 6, pt 2, div 4 (Emergency medicine physicians)

Schedule 6, part 2, division 4—*omit.*

20 Insertion of new sch 6, pt 2, div 5A

Schedule 6, part 2—

insert—

Division 5A General practitioners

26A Definition for division

In this division—

adult ADHD means ADHD of an adult patient.

26B Class of person

A medical practitioner who is a specialist registrant in general practice.

26C Dealing authorised

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1	prescribe	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is prescribed for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine
2	give a treatment dose	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is given for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine
3	dispense	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is dispensed for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine
4	administer	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is administered for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine

	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	Dealing	Medicine	Scope of dealing
5	give a	stock of a	the stock is for the treatment
	purchase	psychostimulant	of adult ADHD, other than at
	order	medicine	a specified place
6	possess	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is possessed for a purpose mentioned in this column

21 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 8 (Haematologists)

Schedule 6, section 32, 'hydroxychloroquine,'— *omit.*

22 Omission of sch 6, pt 2, div 9 (Immunologists)

Schedule 6, part 2, division 9— *omit.*

Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 10 (Infectious diseases specialists)

Schedule 6, section 36, 'hydroxychloroquine or'— *omit.*

Omission of sch 6, pt 2, div 11 (Intensive care physicians)

Schedule 6, part 2, division 11—*omit.*

25 Omission of sch 6, pt 2, div 13 (Nephrologists)

Schedule 6, part 2, division 13—*omit.*

26 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 15 (Paediatricians)

(1) Schedule 6, section 45—

omit, insert—

45 Definitions for division

In this division—

relevant child condition means ADHD, or brain injury, of a child patient.

young adult ADHD means ADHD of an adult patient who is under 25 years.

(2) Schedule 6, section 47—

omit, insert—

47 Dealing authorised

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1	prescribe	(a) a psychostimulant medicine	 for the treatment of young adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or for the treatment of a relevant child condition
		(b) sodium oxybate	

	Column 1 Dealing		ımn 2 licine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
2	give a treatment dose	(a)	a psychostimulant medicine	 for the treatment of young adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or for the treatment of a relevant child condition
		(b)	sodium oxybate	
3	dispense	(a)	a psychostimulant medicine	 for the treatment of young adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or for the treatment of a relevant child condition
		(b)	sodium oxybate	
4	administer	(a)	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is administered— • for the treatment of young adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or • for the treatment of a relevant child condition
		(b)	sodium oxybate	

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
5	give a purchase order	(a) a psychostimulant medicine	the stock is for the treatment of young adult ADHD or relevant child conditions, other than at a specified place
		(b) sodium oxybate	the stock is not for a specified place
6	possess	(a) a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is possessed for a purpose mentioned in this column
		(b) sodium oxybate	

27 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 16 (Psychiatrists)

- (1) Schedule 6, section 48, definitions maximum dosage, relevant adult condition and relevant child condition—

 omit.
- (2) Schedule 6, section 48—

 insert—

adult ADHD means ADHD of an adult patient. relevant child condition means ADHD, or brain injury, of a child patient.

(3) Schedule 6, section 50— *omit, insert*—

50 Dealing authorised

	Column 1 Dealing		ımn 2 icine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1	prescribe	(a)	clozapine, MDMA or psilocybine	
		(b)	a psychostimulant medicine	 for the treatment of adult ADHD up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or for the treatment of a
				relevant child condition
2	give a treatment dose	(a)	clozapine	
	treatment dose (b	(b) a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is given—	
			medicine	• for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or
				• for the treatment of a relevant child condition
3	dispense	(a)	clozapine	
		(b)	a psychostimulant	the medicine is dispensed—
			medicine	 for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for the medicine; or the treatment of a
				relevant child condition

	Column 1 Dealing		ımn 2 licine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
4	administer	(a)	clozapine, MDMA or psilocybine	
		(b)	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is administered— • for the treatment of
				• for the treatment of adult ADHD, up to an amount that does not exceed the maximum daily dose, if any, for
				the medicine; or
				• for the treatment of a relevant child condition
5	give a purchase order	(a)	stock of clozapine, MDMA or psilocybine	the stock is not for a specified place
		(b)	stock of a psychostimulant medicine	the stock is for the treatment of adult ADHD or relevant child conditions, other than at a specified place
6	possess	(a)	clozapine, MDMA or psilocybine	
		(b)	a psychostimulant medicine	the medicine is possessed for a purpose mentioned in this column

28 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 18 (Rheumatologists)

Schedule 6, section 54, 'hydroxychloroquine,'— *omit*.

29 Amendment of sch 6, pt 2, div 20 (Specialist physicians)

Schedule 6, section 58, 'hydroxychloroquine,'— *omit.*

30 Amendment of sch 7, pt 1 (Nurse practitioners)

- (1) Schedule 7, section 1, definition *continuing hydroxychloroquine treatment— omit.*
- (2) Schedule 7, section 3, table— *omit, insert*—

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1		(a) a medicine, other than a restricted medicine	
		(b) a restricted medicine, other than an approved opioid	the medicine is prescribed for administration by a health practitioner— • for the continuing institutional treatment of a patient; and • under the supervision of a registrar or specialist medical practitioner authorised to prescribe the medicine
		(c) an approved opioid	the medicine is prescribed for administration for the continuing opioid dependence treatment of a patient

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
2	make a standing order, other than a clinical protocol	an S2, S3 or S4 medicine, other than an S4 diversion-risk medicine or restricted medicine	
3	give a treatment dose	(a) a medicine, other than a restricted medicine	
		(b) a restricted medicine, other than an approved opioid	 for the continuing institutional treatment of a patient; and under the supervision of a registrar or specialist medical practitioner authorised to give the medicine

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
4	administer	(a) a medicine, other than a restricted medicine	
		(b) a restricted medicine, other than an approved opioid	the medicine is administered— • for the continuing institutional treatment of a patient; and • under the supervision of a registrar or specialist medical practitioner authorised to give the medicine
		(c) an approved opioid	the medicine is administered for the continuing opioid dependence treatment of a patient
		(d) any medicine, including a restricted medicine	the medicine is administered on a prescription
5	repackage	any medicine	the medicine is repackaged for giving a treatment dose for a patient
6	give a purchase order	stock of an S4 or S8 medicine	the stock is not for a specified place
7	possess	an S4 or S8 medicine mentioned in this column	the medicine is possessed for a purpose mentioned in this column
8	dispose	waste from a diversion-risk medicine mentioned in this column	

31 Amendment of sch 7, pt 3, div 5 (Custodial nurses)

Schedule 7, part 3, section 17, item 1, column 2, 'amfetamine or methylphenidate'—

omit, insert—

a psychostimulant medicine

32 Insertion of new sch 7, pt 3, div 6

Schedule 7, part 3—

insert—

Division 6 Hospital and health service nurses

17A Class of person

A registered nurse employed by, or for, a Hospital and Health Service.

17B Dealing authorised

	Column 1 Dealing	Column 2 Medicine	Column 3 Scope of dealing
1	give a treatment dose	an S2, S3 or S4 medicine, other than a restricted medicine	 for preparation of the bowel for a procedure; and on a prescription or a standing order
2	possess	an S4 medicine	the medicine is possessed for a purpose mentioned in this column

33 Amendment of sch 10, pt 2 (Podiatrists)

Schedule 10, section 3, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (b), 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

34 Amendment of sch 12, pt 2 (Clinical perfusionists)

Schedule 12, section 3(a), 'at'—

omit, insert—

for

Amendment of sch 12, pt 3 (Nuclear medicine technologists)

Schedule 12, section 6, table, item 1, column 2, 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

36 Amendment of sch 12, pt 4 (Physiotherapists)

Schedule 12, section 8, table, item 3, column 2, after 'S4'—

insert—

or S8

37 Amendment of sch 12, pt 5 (Respiratory scientists)

(1) Schedule 12, section 9(a), 'at'—

omit, insert—

for

(2) Schedule 12, section 10, table, item 1, column 2, 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

38 Amendment of sch 12, pt 6 (Speech pathologists)

(1) Schedule 12, section 12(a), 'at'—

omit, insert—

for

(2) Schedule 12, section 13, table, item 1, column 2, 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

39 Amendment of sch 13, pt 2 (School workers)

Schedule 13, section 11, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (a), 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

40 Amendment of sch 13, pt 3 (Child care facilities)

(1) Schedule 13, part 3, heading, 'facilities'—

omit. insert—

workers

(2) Schedule 13, section 16, table, item 1, column 2, paragraph (a), 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

41 Amendment of sch 22 (Dictionary)

(1) Schedule 22, definition adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector—

omit.

(2) Schedule 22—

insert—

ADHD means attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

adrenaline (epinephrine) device means an S3 medicine that is adrenaline (epinephrine) in a device designed to administer a single dose of the medicine for the purpose of managing anaphylaxis or allergic reactions.

maximum daily dose, of a psychostimulant medicine, means—

- (a) for dexamfetamine—40mg a day; or
- (b) for lisdexamfetamine—70mg a day; or
- (c) for methylphenidate—80mg a day.

psychostimulant medicine means an S8 medicine that is—

- (a) dexamfetamine, lisdexamfetamine or another type of amfetamine; or
- (b) methylphenidate.

specialist medical practitioner means a medical practitioner who is a specialist registrant in any field of practice.

(3) Schedule 22, definition *anaphylaxis training*, paragraph (b), 'adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjector'—

omit, insert—

adrenaline (epinephrine) device

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 27 November 2025.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 28 November 2025.
- 3 The administering agency is Queensland Health.

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