

Draft Regulation

Health Insurance Act
(chapter A-29)

Regulation — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the draft regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Health Insurance Act, the text of which appears hereafter, may be made by the Government on the expiry of the 45-day period following this publication.

This draft regulation aims to ensure that ultrasonography services rendered for guidance purposes during the provision of an insured service and those rendered for static ultrasonic measurements purposes without assessment of morphology are not services that should not be considered insured services for the purposes of the Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29). Therefore, this draft regulation aims to ensure that these services are insured services for the purposes of this Act.

This draft regulation will have the following effects on citizens and enterprises:

— Citizens will benefit from new insured ultrasonography services;

— Enterprises (small or medium sized enterprises) will benefit from savings of around \$1 million a year.

In accordance with the government's policy entitled *Politique gouvernementale sur l'allègement réglementaire et administratif – Pour une réglementation intelligente*, this draft regulation has been the subject of a regulatory impact analysis with regard to the above-mentioned effects for enterprises. This analysis can be consulted on the ministry's website.

Additional information concerning this draft regulation is available by contacting Stéphane Bergeron, Assistant Deputy Minister, Direction générale des affaires universitaires, médicales, infirmières et pharmaceutiques, Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, 1075, chemin Sainte-Foy, 9^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1S 2M1, email: stephane.bergeron@msss.gouv.qc.ca.

Anyone wishing to comment on this draft regulation may write, before the expiry of the 45-day period mentioned above, to the Minister of Health, at 1075, chemin Sainte-Foy, 15^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1S 2M1, email: ministre@msss.gouv.qc.ca.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Health Insurance Act

Health Insurance Act
(chapter A-29, s. 69, 1st para., subpara. b.1).

1. Section 22 of the Regulation respecting the application of the Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29, r. 5) is amended by adding, at the end of subparagraph *q*, the following subparagraphs:

“v. this service is rendered for guidance purposes during the provision of an insured service;

vi. this service is rendered for static ultrasonic measurements purposes without assessment of morphology;”.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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