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THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY makes this Order under Articles 15, 16, 17, 26 and 36 of the Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967 –

Commencement [see endnotes]

1 Interpretation

In this Order -

"applicant" has the meaning given in Article 2(1);

"application" has the meaning given in Article 2(1);

"Health Insurance Law" means the <u>Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967</u>;

- "primary care setting" means any of the following where a health care service is provided directly to a patient –
- (a) the patient's home;
- (b) a setting in which a care home service (within the meaning of paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014) is provided;
- (c) a place in which long-term care services (within the meaning given in Article 1 of the Long-Term Care (Health and Social Services Charges) (Jersey) Law 2014) are provided to the patient, other than a place described in sub-paragraph (a) or (b); and
- (d) the premises of a general medical practice that offers general medical services.

2 Conditions for approval of prescribing practitioner under Article 26(1E) of the Health Insurance Law

- (1) The Minister may approve an application for approval under Article 26(1E) of the Health Insurance Law (an "application") by a prescribing practitioner (the "applicant") only if the applicant is
 - (a) a non-GP doctor;
 - (b) a nurse independent prescriber;
 - (c) a paramedic independent prescriber; or
 - (d) a pharmacist independent prescriber.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) –

- (a) "Medicines Order" means the <u>Medicines (Prescription Only) (Jersey)</u>
 Order 1997;
- (b) "non-GP doctor" means a prescribing practitioner who
 - (i) is an appropriate practitioner under Article 5(1)(a) of the Medicines Order; and
 - (ii) is not approved under Article 26(1A) of the Health Insurance Law;
- (c) "nurse independent prescriber" means a prescribing practitioner who is an appropriate practitioner under Article 5(1)(d) of the Medicines Order;
- (d) "paramedic independent prescriber" means a prescribing practitioner who is an appropriate practitioner under Article 5(1)(f) of the Medicines Order;
- (e) "pharmacist independent prescriber" means a prescribing practitioner described in Article 5(1)(g) of the Medicines Order.
- (3) The Minister may approve an application only if the Minister is satisfied that the applicant
 - (a) practises in Jersey in a primary care setting; and
 - (b) is a prescribing practitioner described in the first column of the table who satisfies the registration requirement in the corresponding entry in the second column of the table –

Prescribing practitioner	Registration requirement
Non-GP doctor	Registered as a medical practitioner under the Medical Practitioners (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1960
Nurse independent prescriber	Registered as a nurse independent prescriber under the Health Care (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1995
Paramedic independent prescriber	Registered as a paramedic independent prescriber under the Health Care (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1995
Pharmacist independent prescriber	Registered as a pharmacist independent prescriber under the Health Care (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1995

3 Application

- (1) An application must be made in writing in the form required by the Minister and must include a declaration by the applicant that
 - (a) they practise in Jersey in a primary care setting; and
 - (b) if approved
 - (i) they will issue pharmaceutical benefit only to insured persons and only in accordance with the Health Insurance Law; and
 - (ii) they will comply with the conditions set out in Article 4.
- (2) An application must be signed by
 - (a) 1 of the following
 - (i) the Medical Director;
 - (ii) the Chief Nurse of the Health and Social Services Department (the "Chief Nurse");

- (iii) a person authorised by the Chief Nurse for this purpose; and
- (b) the clinical lead on behalf of the primary care setting where the applicant practises.
- (3) Before deciding whether to approve an application, the Minister must obtain the recommendation of an officer of the administration of the States for which the Minister is responsible.
- (4) In paragraph (2)(a), "Medical Director" is construed in accordance with Regulation 2 of the <u>Health Insurance (Performers List for General Medical Practitioners)</u> (Jersey) Regulations 2014.

4 Conditions with which approved prescribing practitioner must comply

- (1) An approved prescribing practitioner must not issue pharmaceutical benefit to an insured person unless the approved prescribing practitioner has access to the insured person's patient record.
- (2) In paragraph (1), the insured person's patient record means their patient record held by the general medical practice with which they are registered as their main practice.
- (3) An approved prescribing practitioner issuing pharmaceutical benefit must do so in accordance with the relevant requirements of their regulatory body.
- (4) In paragraph (3), "regulatory body"
 - (a) in relation to a non-GP doctor, means the General Medical Council continued under section 1 of the Medical Act 1983 of the United Kingdom;
 - (b) in relation to a nurse independent prescriber, means the Nursing and Midwifery Council established under article 3 of the Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001 of the United Kingdom (S.I. 2002/253);
 - (c) in relation to a paramedic independent prescriber, means the Health and Care Professionals Council continued under section 214 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 of the United Kingdom; and
 - (d) in relation to a pharmacist independent prescriber, means the General Pharmaceutical Council established under article 4 of the Pharmacy Order 2010 of the United Kingdom (S.I. 2010/231).

5 Provision of information to Minister

- (1) An applicant and an approved prescribing practitioner must inform the Minister in writing within 7 days if
 - (a) there is a change in their circumstances material to their declaration made under Article 3(1);
 - (b) they no longer satisfy the relevant registration requirement in Article 2(3)(b), or there is any other change in their circumstances material to a matter described in Article 2(3); or
 - (c) they are charged with or convicted of an offence in Jersey, or of an offence committed elsewhere that if committed in Jersey would constitute an offence in Jersey.
- (2) The Minister may require an approved prescribing practitioner to provide information to enable the Minister to monitor their suitability for continued approval.

(3) An approved prescribing practitioner to whom a request is made under paragraph (2) must provide the information requested by the time, and in the manner, required by the Minister.

6 Withdrawal of approval

The Minister may withdraw the approval of a prescribing practitioner if the Minister is satisfied that –

- (a) the prescribing practitioner
 - (i) no longer satisfies the conditions for approval in Article 2;
 - (ii) has breached their declaration made under Article 3(1);
 - (iii) has failed to comply with a condition set out in Article 4; or
 - (iv) has failed, without reasonable excuse, to provide information required under Article 5; or
- (b) as a result of information described in Article 5(1), it is no longer appropriate for the prescribing practitioner to be approved.

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8 Transitional provision

- (1) Paragraph (2) applies to a prescribing practitioner who, immediately before this Order came into force, was an approved prescribing practitioner by virtue of an approval given under the <u>Health Insurance (Medical Prescribing Practitioners)</u> (Jersey) Order 2018 or the <u>Health Insurance (Approved Prescribing Practitioners Midwives and Nurses)</u> (Jersey) Order 2018.
- (2) The prescribing practitioner is treated as if they have been approved by the Minister under this Order.

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10 Citation and commencement

This Order may be cited as the Health Insurance (Approved Prescribing Practitioners) (Jersey) Order 2025 and comes into force 7 days after it is made.

ENDNOTES

Table of Legislation History

Legislation	Year and No	Commencement	Projet No (where applicable)
Health Insurance (Approved Prescribing Practitioners) (Jersey) Order 2025	R&O.34/2025	3 July 2025	

[°]Projets available at states assembly.gov.je

Table of Endnote References

¹ Article 7 spent, omitted ² Article 9 spent, omitted