

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL

Order in Council No. 401

, Approved and Ordered

JUN - 6 2008




~~Lieutenant Governor~~
Administrator


Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the ~~Lieutenant Governor~~ ^{Administrator}, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that the Medical and Health Care Services Regulation, B.C. Reg. 426/97, is amended by repealing section 35 and substituting the following:

Benefits rendered outside British Columbia

- 35 (1) In this section, "medical practitioner" has the same meaning as in section 29 of the *Medicare Protection Act*.
- (2) If a medical practitioner renders to a beneficiary outside British Columbia services that the commission determines are medically required, the beneficiary is entitled to payment for the cost of the services as follows:
 - (a) without the commission's prior approval if the beneficiary resides in British Columbia and the nearest convenient location for the service is outside British Columbia but within Canada;
 - (b) with prior approval of the commission if the services are elective, non-emergency services and are rendered outside Canada;
 - (c) with the prior approval of the BCBedline program operated by the Emergency and Health Services Commission if the services are emergency services and the required medical care is not available in Canada.


Minister of Health


Presiding Member of the Executive Council

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section:- Medicare Protection Act, R.S.B.C., c. 286, s. 51

Other (specify):- OIC 1436/97

April 29, 2008

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