

# Impact Analysis Statement

## Summary IAS

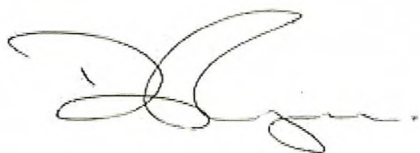
### Details

<b>Lead department</b>	Queensland Health
<b>Name of the proposal</b>	<i>Medicines and Poisons (Medicines) Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2025</i>
<b>Submission type</b> (Summary IAS / Consultation IAS / Decision IAS)	Summary IAS
<b>Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument</b>	<i>Medicines and Poisons (Medicines) Regulation 2021</i>
<b>Date of issue</b>	June 2025

Proposal type	Details
<b>Regulatory proposals where no RIA is required</b>	<p>The <i>Medicines and Poisons (Medicines) Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2025</i> (Amendment Regulation) amends the <i>Medicines and Poisons (Medicines) Regulation 2021</i> (Medicines Regulation) to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>transition to business-as-usual the authorisations for pharmacists to deal with medicines for the acute common condition services, the health and wellbeing services and the medicines management services from the Community Pharmacy Scope of Practice Pilot and the hormonal contraception service from the Community Pharmacy Hormonal Contraception Pilot;             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The amendments will provide improved access to high-quality, integrated and cost-effective primary health care services for all Queenslanders, particularly for those in areas where general practitioner availability is constrained or for consumers who do not have a usual care provider.</li> </ul> </li> <li>make an administrative amendment to amend the circumstances and conditions and list of medicines for the Urinary Tract Infection Community Pharmacy Service to align it with the transitioning pilot services;             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aligning the parts of the extended practice authority for the Urinary Tract Infection Community Pharmacy Service with the transitioning pilot services ensures pharmacists are working in accordance with best practice clinical guidelines.</li> </ul> </li> <li>authorise dental assistants who are suitably trained and employed by a Hospital and Health Service to possess and administer fluoride varnish under the supervision of a dental practitioner;             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This will remove the need for a suitably trained dental assistant to apply for a general approval, which carries an administrative burden, enabling them to apply fluoride and facilitate a more prevention focussed oral health service, particularly in priority and high-risk communities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>authorise intern pharmacists acting under the supervision of a pharmacist and trainee pharmacists acting under the direct supervision of a pharmacist to deal with additional medicines to the extent authorised for a pharmacist;             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This will ensure intern and trainee pharmacists are competent and have experience in all facets of pharmacy practice upon registration.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The proposals are designed to reduce the burden of regulation and to facilitate equitable access to medicines and health services for Queenslanders. Of particular note is the improved access to health services for those living in rural and remote communities through the pharmacy and contraception pilot amendments.</p> <p>The proposals are designed to reduce the burden of regulation and appear unlikely to result in significant adverse impacts. Queensland Health has identified that no further regulatory impact analysis is required under the <i>Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy</i>.</p>
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## Signed



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