Order pursuant to s126G of the Health Services Act 1997

Order

I, John Della Bosca, Minister for Health, in pursuance of section 126G(1) of the Health Services Act 1997, by order require each public health organisation to acquire all health support services (including those specified below) from the Health Administration Corporation (the Health Support Services unit within the Public Health System Support Division of that Corporation) (**HSS**), to the extent that HSS agrees to provide them to the public health organisation:

- (1) corporate services, including but not limited to, finance services, procurement services, logistics services, human resources services, payroll services, contract management services and contract negotiation services (which includes contract negotiation services for private health insurance arrangements with private health insurers (as both those terms are defined in the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007* of the Commonwealth));
- (2) the procurement or supply of goods, substances or services to providers of health services, including linen services, meals and catering services and other goods, substances or services necessary for the day-to-day provision of health services by the public health organisation;
- (3) technology services, including the provision of hardware and hardware asset management, software, application support systems and systems implementation management;
- (4) ancillary services necessary or appropriate to support or assist in the provision of a health support service.

I hereby repeal the order made by the previous Minister for Health pursuant to section 126G(1) of the Health Services Act on 7 July 2008.

Explanatory Note

This order is made pursuant to s126G(1) of the Health Services Act for the purpose of requiring public health organisations to acquire specified health support services from Health Support Services, which is a business unit of the Public Health System Support Division of the Health Administration Corporation. In this regard, the Act has the effect of ensuring that those acquisitions will not contravene Part IV of the Trade Practices Act 1974 of the Commonwealth or the Competition Code of New South Wales.

Pursuant to s126H(2), the requirement contained in the order shall apply to an affiliated health organisation (**AHO**) only if the AHO has given written consent to the requirement, and only in respect of health support services specified by the AHO in its consent.

Minister for Health

Date: 10 11 08