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PRIME MINISTER

Press Statement
18 June 1975

TASMANIA MEDIBANK AGREEMENT

The Prime Minister, Mr Whitlam and the Premier of Tasmania, Mr Neilson today signed the Medibank Agreement between the Australian and Tasmanian Governments. The ceremonial signing took place at the Launceston General Hospital before Mr Whitlam met patients and staff there.

Mrs Nellie Ellis, a patient at Launceston General Hospital witnessed the Prime Minister's signature on the two copies of the Agreement.

Legislation on Medibank has passed both Houses of the Tasmanian Parliament and the Agreement will come into force as scheduled on 1 July. This means that from that date, Tasmanians will be able to take full advantage of the benefits offered by Medibank.

The only other State to have entered a Medibank Agreement is South Australia. The Prime Minister signed a Medibank Hospital Agreement with the South Australian Premier, Mr Dunstan, in Adelaide last Sunday.

Mr Whitlam said he was especially pleased that the two State Labor Governments had shown the obvious advantages of co-operating with the Australian Government in the best interests of their citizens.

In his Bass by-election campaign speech in Launceston last night, Mr Whitlam drew attention to the lameness of the claim of the non-Labor States for additional finance from the Australian Government, when they have shown such reluctance to join Medibank despite the obvious financial advantage it would be to them especially in the hospital field.

Under the Medibank Agreement, the Australian Government will meet 50 per cent of the net operating costs of all the recognised hospitals in Tasmania for the ten year period of the Agreement. (A list of recognised hospitals is attached).

The Agreement states that "it is the policy of Australia to ensure that every person has access to comprehensive hospital care, including medical treatment, provided without charge and without means test in standard beds of public hospitals."

The Agreement provides for variation from time to time to ensure that Tasmania continues to draw maximum advantage from the scheme and may renegotiate should any other State negotiate an Agreement in any more favourable terms.

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1. Warrant of Arrest - Issued by the Court of Sessions, Middlesex County, New York, on the 1st day of January, 1900, for the arrest of the defendant, John J. O'Brien, on the charge of being a person who has been convicted of a crime and is a habitual offender.

...that for the purpose of including the following information:

1. The first step in the process of identifying a problem is to define the problem. This involves identifying the symptoms and the underlying causes of the problem. Once the problem has been defined, the next step is to identify the stakeholders who are affected by the problem. This involves identifying the individuals, groups, and organizations that are impacted by the problem. The third step is to identify the resources that are available to address the problem. This involves identifying the personnel, equipment, and materials that are needed to address the problem. The fourth step is to develop a plan of action. This involves identifying the steps that need to be taken to address the problem. The fifth step is to implement the plan of action. This involves carrying out the steps that have been identified in the plan of action. The sixth step is to evaluate the results of the plan of action. This involves assessing the effectiveness of the plan of action and identifying any areas for improvement. The seventh step is to communicate the results of the plan of action. This involves sharing the results of the plan of action with the stakeholders who are affected by the problem. The eighth step is to monitor the progress of the plan of action. This involves tracking the progress of the plan of action and identifying any areas for improvement. The ninth step is to report on the progress of the plan of action. This involves providing a report on the progress of the plan of action to the stakeholders who are affected by the problem. The tenth step is to review the results of the plan of action. This involves evaluating the overall results of the plan of action and identifying any areas for improvement.

ATTACHMENT

Schedule B

The recognised hospitals for the purpose of this Agreement are:

Royal Hobart Hospital (including the following annexes) -

Lady Clark Hospital
Vaucluse Hospital Annex
Wingfield House
Alannah District Nursing Centre
Cygnets District Nursing Hospital
Nubeena District Nursing Hospital
Oatlands District Nursing Hospital
Tridbunna District Nursing Hospital
Swansea District Nursing Hospital
Gore Street, Obstetrics Division

Launceston General Hospital (including the following annexes)-

Evandale Division of Launceston General Hospital
Deloraine Division of Launceston General Hospital
George Town Division of Launceston General Hospital
Westbury Division of Launceston General Hospital
Lilydale District Nursing Centre

Mersey General Hospital (including the following annexes)-

Women's Division
Outpatients' Division

North Western General Hospital, Burnie Division

North Western General Hospital, Spencer Division, Wynyard
(including the following annexes) -

Savage River Division
Waratah District Nursing Centre
Luinna District Nursing Centre

Queen Alexandra Maternity Hospital, Hobart

Queen Victoria Hospital, Launceston

Beaconsfield District Hospital

Campbell Town District Hospital, including -

Avoca District Nursing Centre
Rossarden District Nursing Centre

Flinders District Hospital

Huon District Hospital, including Dover District Nursing Hospital

King Island District Hospital including Grassy District Nursing Centre

New Norfolk District Hospital

North Eastern Soldiers Memorial Hospital at Scottsdale, including

Gladstone District Nursing Centre
Ringarooma District Nursing Centre

Ouse District Hospital

Peacock Convalescent Hospital, Hobart

Roseberry District Hospital

Smithton District Hospital, including Redpa Nursing Centre

St Mary's District Hospital including St Helen's District
Nursing Hospital

Toosey Memorial Hospital, Longford

Ulverstone District Hospital

West Coast District Hospital, including Strahan District
Nursing Centre

Mothercraft Home, New Town, Hobart.

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