

Fact Sheet

What Constitutes a Significant Change of Health Services

As part of the licence conditions for private hospitals and private day procedure centres, the licensee must, prior to making any significant changes in health services being provided at the premises, obtain the written approval of the Minister for Health and Wellbeing or delegate.

If you are making a significant change in the health services provided at your premises, you must [submit an application](#) and a fee must be paid.

To help determine what constitutes a significant change in health services, please consider the following:

- Are you adding a new area of specialisation at your premises? For example, Paediatrics, Intensive Care, Bariatrics, Orthopaedics, etc.
- Will the change in health service/s likely require an extension or alteration to the premises?
- Will the new health service/s modify the use of any designated areas?
- Will the new health service/s require additional staff or staff training specific to the new health service/s?
- Will additional equipment, instrumentation or consumables need to be purchased/ hired to facilitate the new health service/s?
- Will the new health service/s impact the sterilisation and storage requirements for new equipment?

New health services which require alterations to the premises or require additional equipment to be added may need a separate application to be submitted in conjunction with the application for change of health services.

If you are unsure whether your change in health services requires an application, please contact the Clinical Regulation Policy and Licensing Unit at health.licensing@sa.gov.au or phone (08) 8226 7100.

For more information

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