

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

HEALTH PRACTITIONER REGULATION (NATIONAL UNIFORM  
LEGISLATION) AMENDMENT ACT 2014

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An Act to amend the *Health Practitioner Regulation (National Uniform Legislation) Act*

[Assented to 16 April 2014]  
[Second reading 19 February 2014]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

## **1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Health Practitioner Regulation (National Uniform Legislation) Amendment Act 2014*.

## **2 Act amended**

This Act amends the *Health Practitioner Regulation (National Uniform Legislation) Act*.

## **3 Section 4A inserted**

After section 4

*insert*

## **4A Private midwifery**

(1) Despite section 284 of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NT)*, a midwife in the Territory does not, during the transition period, contravene section 129(1) of that Law merely because the midwife practises private midwifery if:

(a) the practise occurs in the Territory; and

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- (b) the practise would not contravene section 129 of that Law if it occurred in a participating jurisdiction mentioned in section 284(1)(a) of that Law.
- (2) Section 284 of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NT)* (other than section 284(1)(a)) applies in relation to the practise under subsection (1).
- (3) A midwife who intends to practise, or practises, private midwifery must notify the Chief Health Officer, in writing and in accordance with any requirement prescribed by a law of the Territory:
- (a) before practising private midwifery for the first time, of the midwife's intention to do so; and
- (b) on or before 31 May in every year, if the midwife intends to continue practising private midwifery at any time during the subsequent financial year.
- (4) A midwife must give the Chief Health Officer a written report in relation to a private midwifery case, prepared in accordance with any requirement prescribed by a law of the Territory and in any event not later than 60 days after the end of the case.
- (5) In this section:

***Chief Health Officer***, see section 4 of the *Public and Environmental Health Act*.

***midwife***, see section 284(5) of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NT)*.

***private midwifery***, see section 284(5) of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NT)*.

***transition period***, see section 284(5) of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NT)*.

#### **4 Expiry of Act**

This Act expires on the day after it commences.