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Jersey Doctors On Call ("JDOC") out of hours GP service

Extension of an exemption from the *Competition (Jersey) Law 2005* article 8(1) prohibition on anti-competitive arrangements (CICRA decision 15/28)

DECISION

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Decision

In accordance with its decision CICRA $15/28^1$ of 17 June 2015, the JCRA has received a request from the scheme participants for an extension to the exemption under article 9(1) of the Competition (Jersey) Law 2005 (the Law).

The JCRA has considered the request and is satisfied that the arrangements are operating fairly and are not unnecessarily detrimental to the market for GP services.

Therefore the JCRA extends the exemption granted under article 8(1) of the Law as set out in in CICRA 15/28 for a further 12 months to the 17 June 2017 and subject to the conditions set out in that decision document.

In particular this requires that:

- (1) there is fair and non-discriminatory access to the service for patients and practices;
- (2) overall, charges for the service shall broadly reflect the cost of providing the service;
- (3) JDOC will on request provide the JCRA with the information it requires.

If there are significant changes to the arrangements for primary care (and in particular, GP services) in Jersey or to JDOC's out of hours GP service, the JCRA expects that JDOC will make a new application for exemption.

By order of the board

18 April 2016

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