

# Income Support Package (Transitional Assistance) Amendment 2020

This instrument is made under section 101 of the Social Security Act 2018 by the Minister for Social Development.

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## Instrument

### **1 Title**

- (1) This instrument is the Income Support Package (Transitional Assistance) Amendment 2020.

### **2 Commencement**

- (1) This instrument comes into force on the day after the date on which it is made.

### **3 Principal programme**

- (1) This instrument amends the Income Support Package (Transitional Assistance) Programme<sup>1</sup> (as established and approved on 24 February 2020) (the **principal programme**).

### **4 Name of principal programme amended**

- (1) In title, replace “Income Support Package (Transitional Assistance) Programme” with “Income Support Package and COVID-19 Recovery Package (Transitional Assistance) Programme.

### **5 Clause 3 amended (Purpose)**

- (1) In clause 3(1), after “Income Support Package” insert “and COVID-19 Recovery Package.”.

### **6 Clause 4 amended (Interpretation)**

- (1) In clause 4(1), definition of **change of circumstances**, replace “change of circumstances” with “change in circumstances”.

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<sup>1</sup> New Zealand Gazette, 2 March 2020, notice 2020-go948.

- (2) In clause 4(1), in the appropriate alphabetical order, insert new definition:

**COVID-19 Recovery Package** means the amendments to rates of benefits made on 1 April 2020 by the Social Security (Rates of Benefits and Allowances) (COVID-19 Recovery Package) Amendment Order 2020.

- (3) In clause 4(1), definition of **net income**, replace “clause” with “regulation”.
- (4) In clause 4(1), move the definitions of **childcare assistance** and **Christchurch Mosques Attack Welfare Programme** to their appropriate alphabetical order.
- (5) In clause 4(1), definition of **specified amendment**, paragraph (a), after “2019:” delete the word “and”.
- (6) In clause 4(1), definition of **specified amendment**, paragraph (b), replace “Act.” with “Act: and”.
- (7) In clause 4(1), definition of **specified amendment**, after paragraph (b), insert:
- (c) the COVID-19 Recovery Package.
- (8) In clause 4(1), definition of **specified enactment**, paragraph (c), after “1991:” insert “and”.
- (9) In clause 4(1), definition of **specified payment**, paragraph (b), after “Act:” insert “and”.
- (10) In clause 4(1), definition of **temporary additional support**, replace “Subpart 15” with “Subpart 16”.
- (11) In clause 4(1), definition of **transitional assistance**, replace “clauses 6 and 7” with “clauses 6, 7 and 8”.

**7 Clause 6 amended (Transitional assistance for recipients of temporary additional support)**

- (1) In clause 6(2), paragraph (a), after “change in” delete “the”.

**8 Clause 7 amended (Transitional assistance for recipients of childcare assistance)**

- (1) In clause 7(2), paragraph (a), after “change in” delete “the”.

**9 Clause 8 amended (Transitional assistance for recipients of special assistance under Christchurch Mosques Attack Welfare Programme)**

- (1) In clause 8, renumber paragraph (3) as paragraph (2).
- (2) In clause 8(3), paragraph (a), after “change in” delete “the”.

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of March 2020



Minister for Social Development

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### **Explanatory note**

*This note is not part of the instrument, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This instrument, which comes into force on 1 April 2020, amends the Income Support Package (Transitional Assistance) Programme. It extends the grant of temporary financial assistance to people who experience an overall reduction in assistance as a result of the increase to main benefits on 1 April 2020 made by the COVID-19 Recovery Package. The instrument also corrects minor technical and formatting errors in the principal programme.