

Veterinary Surgeons Registration Act 1965

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE VETERINARY SURGEONS BOARD

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM INSTRUMENT NO. 29 OF 1998

The Veterinary Surgeons Board ("the Board") is appointed under Section 5(1) of the *Veterinary Surgeons Registration Act 1965* ("the Act"). The Board administers the Act which provides for the registration of appropriately qualified persons as veterinary surgeons and ensures the orderly conduct of the practice of the profession.

The resignation of one of the members of the Board created a vacancy for the remainder of a term of office to, and including 27 September 1998. Section 7 of the *Health Professions Boards (Procedures) Act 1981* provides for the Minister to appoint a person to act as a member of the Board during any period for which a member is absent from duty, up to a maximum period of 12 months.

Registered veterinary surgeons, who have previously submitted expressions of interest for appointment to the Board, were approached to fill the vacancy.

The Government has appointed Dr Lynette Gallimore to act in the vacant position to 27 September 1998. Dr Gallimore has been registered in the ACT since 1989 and has previously served on the Board as an elected member from March 1994 to March 1997.

After consideration by Government the appointment was referred to the Social Policy Committee in accordance with the *Statutory Appointments Act 1994*.