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### BOARD NOTICE 837 OF 2025

#### HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

#### HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO. 56 OF 1974)

#### ETHICAL RULES OF CONDUCT FOR PRACTITIONERS REGISTERED UNDER THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974: AMENDMENT

The Health Professions Council of South Africa intends, under section 49 read with section 61A (2) of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 Of 1974) and in consultation with the professional board for optometry and dispensing opticians, to make the rules in the schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations in writing on the proposed amendments to the Registrar, Health Professions Council of South Africa, P.O. Box 205, Pretoria 0001 or to [ntsanem@hpcsa.co.za](mailto:ntsanem@hpcsa.co.za) (for the attention of: Legal Advisor: Legislative drafting) within three months from the date of publication of this Notice.

### SCHEDULE

#### Definitions

1. In these rules “**the Ethical Rules of Conduct**” means the Ethical rules of conduct for practitioners registered under the Health Professions Act, 1974 published under Government Notice No. R. 717 of 04 August 2006, as amended by Government Notice Nos. R. 68 of 02 February 2009, R. 654 of 30 July 2010, Board Notice Nos. 26 of 01 March 2013, 373 of 01 December 2022, R510 of 17 November 2023, and R683 of 25 October 2024, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Ethical Rules of Conduct shall have that meaning, unless the context otherwise indicates.

## **Amendment of Annexure 8 of the Ethical Rules of Conduct**

2. Annexure 8 of the Ethical Rules of Conduct is hereby amended by the addition of the following rule:

### **“7. Partnerships**

- (a) Notwithstanding rule 8(3) of the Ethical Rules of Conduct, a dispensing optician may enter into partnership, association, or practice in a juristic person with an optometrist and *visе versa*.”

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