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HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

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

RULES RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION BY MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND DENTISTS OF ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: AMENDMENT

The Health Professions Council of South Africa intends, under section 61A of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), 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 by e-mail at: ntsanem@hpcsa.co.za for the attention of the Legal Advisor: Legislative drafting within three months from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these rules “**the rules**” means the rules relating to the registration by medical practitioners and dentists of additional qualifications published as Board Notice 35 of 1999 published under Government Gazette No: 19890 of 31 March 1999 as amended by Board Notices. 46 of 2005 published under Government Gazette No: 27592 of 20 May 2005, 34 of 2006 published under Government Gazette No: 28779 of 05 May 2006, 22 of 2007 published under Government Gazette No: 29689 of 16 March 2007, 130 of 2010 published under Government Gazette No: 33540 of 17 September 2010, 109 of 2011 published under Government Gazette No: 34362 of 17 June 2011, 122 of 2012 published under Government Gazette No: 35517 of 20 July 2012, 31 of 2013 published under Government Gazette No: 36225 of 15 March 2013, 28 of 2014 published under Government Gazette No: 37421 of 14 March 2014, 85 of 2014 published under Government Gazette No: 37872 of 01 August 2014, 164 of 2015 published under Government Gazette No: 39127 of 21 August 2015, 4 of 2016 published under Government Gazette No: 39736 of 26 February 2016, 172 published under Government Gazette No: 42037 of 16 November 2018, 224 published under Government Gazette No:

46032 of 11 March 2022, 363 published under Government Gazette No: 47489 of 11 November 2022, and 687 published under Government No: 51526 of 08 November 2024, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the rules shall have that meaning, unless the context otherwise indicates.

Amendment of Rule 2 of the rules

2. Rule 2 of the rules is hereby amended by –

- (a) the substitution in paragraph (b), for Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (DTM & H) Witwatersrand, of the following qualification: -

<i>Witwatersrand, University of</i>	Postgraduate Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.	(PGDIPTM&H) Witwatersrand.
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- (b) the substitution in paragraph (b), for Diploma in Child Health, of the following qualification: -

<i>Witwatersrand, University of</i>	Postgraduate Diploma in Child Health.	(PGDIPCHILD HEALTH) Witwatersrand.
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- (c) the substitution in paragraph (b), for Diploma in Occupational Health, of the following qualification: -

<i>Witwatersrand, University of</i>	Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health.	(PGDIPOCCHEALTH) Witwatersrand.
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- (d) the substitution in paragraph (b), for Diploma in Public Health, of the following qualification: -

<i>Witwatersrand, University of</i>	Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health.	(PGDIPPUPLICHEALTH) Witwatersrand.
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(e) the insertion, in alphabetical order and in paragraph (b), of the following qualification:

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Witwatersrand, University of	Master of Science in Medicine (Biokinetics)	MSc Med (Biokinetics) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine Child Health (Community Paediatrics)	MSc Med Child Health (Community Paediatrics) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine Child Health (Neurodevelopment)	MSc Med Child Health (Neurodevelopment) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Child Life and Paediatric Psychological care)	MSc Med (Child Life and Paediatric Psychological care) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Emergency Medicine)	MSc Med (Emergency Medicine) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Exposure Science)	MSc Med (Exposure Science) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Genetic Counselling)	MSc Med (Genetic Counselling) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Genomic Medicine)	MScMed (Genomic Medicine) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Pharmaceutical Affairs)	MSc Med (Pharmaceutical Affairs) Witwatersrand

	Master of Science in Medicine (Clinical Pharmacy)	MSc Med (Clinical Pharmacy) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Sports Medicine)	MSc Med (Sports Medicine) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Sports Science)	MSc Med (Sports Science) Witwatersrand
	Master of Science in Medicine (Vaccinology)	MSc Med (Vaccinology) Witwatersrand

- (f) the substitution in paragraph (b), for Master of Medicine (Community Health) MMed (Comm Health) Stell, of the following qualification: -

Examination authority	Qualifications	Abbreviation for registration
<i>Stellenbosch, University of</i>	Master of Medicine (Public Health).	MMed (Public Health) Stell

- (g) the insertion, in alphabetical order and in paragraph (b), of the following qualifications: -

Examination authority	Qualifications	Abbreviation for registration
<i>Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University</i>	Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Forensic Medicine	(PGDIPCFM) SMU.
	Master of Medicine (Clinical Pharmacology).	MMed (Clin Pharm) SMU
<i>Pretoria, University of</i>	Master of Medicine (Occupational Medicine).	MMed (Occupational Medicine) Pret

<i>Free State, University of</i>	Master of Medicine (Clinical Pharmacology).	MMed (Clinical Pharmacology) Free State
<i>Cape Town, University of</i>	Master of Medicine (Occupational Medicine).	MMed (Occ Medicine) Cape Town
	Master of Medicine (Public Health Medicine)	MMed (Public Health Medicine) Cape Town
	Master of Medicine (Clinical Pharmacology)	MMed (Clinical Pharmacology) Cape Town
	Master of Philosophy (Palliative Medicine)	MPhil (Palliative Medicine) Cape Town
	Postgraduate Diploma (Palliative Medicine)	PGDip (Palliative Medicine) Cape Town
<i>Limpopo, University of</i>	Master of Medicine (Public Health Medicine)	MMed (Public Health Medicine) Limpopo
<i>Walter Sisulu University</i>	Master of Medicine (Urology)	MMed (Urology) Walter Sisulu University
	Master of Medicine (Chemical Pathology)	MMed (Chemical Pathology) Walter Sisulu University
	Master of Medicine (Anatomical)	MMed (Anatomical) Walter Sisulu University
	Master of Medicine (Dermatology)	MMed (Dermatology) Walter Sisulu University

	Master of Medicine (Emergency Medicine)	MMed (Emergency Medicine) Walter Sisulu University
College of Family Physicians of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Allergology	FSA(SA) Fam Phys
	Higher Diploma in Family Medicine	H Dip Fam Med(SA)
College of Physicians of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Allergology	FSA(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Cardiology	FSC(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Clinical Haematology	FSCH(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality IN Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Endocrinology and Metabolism	FSEM(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Gastroenterology	FSG(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Geriatric Medicine	FSGM(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Infectious Diseases	FSID(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Nephrology	FSN(SA) Phys
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Pulmonology	FSP(SA) Phys

	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Rheumatology	FSR(SA) Phys
	Diploma in Internal Medicine	Dip Int Med(SA)
	Diploma in Geriatric Medicine	DGM(SA)
College of Paediatricians	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Allergology	FSA(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Cardiology	FSC(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Clinical Haematology	FSCH(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Endocrinology and Metabolism	FSEM(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Gastroenterology	FSG(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Infectious Diseases	FSID(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Medical Oncology	FSMC(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Nephrology	FSN(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Developmental Paediatrics	FSDP(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Neonatology	FS Neo(SA) Paed

	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Paediatric Neurology	FSPN(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Pulmonology	FSP(SA) Paed
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Rheumatology	FSR(SA) Paed
College of Pathologists	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Clinical Haematology	FSCH(SA) Path
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Infectious Diseases	FSID(SA) Path
College of Anaestheologists	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Anaes
College of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Cardio
College of Emergency Medicine of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Emerg Med
	Higher Diploma in Emergency Medicine	H Dip Emerg Med(SA)
College of Neurosurgeons of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Neuro
Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) O&G
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Gynaecological Oncology	FSGO(SA) O&G
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Maternal and Fetal Medicine	FSMF(SA) O&G

	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Reproductive Medicine	FSRM(SA) O&G
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Urogynaecology	FSU(SA) O&G
College of Surgeons of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Surg
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Gastroenterology	FSG(SA) Surg
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Trauma Surgery	FSTS(SA) Surg
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Vascular Surgery	FSVS(SA) Surg
College of Psychiatrists of South Africa	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Critical Care	FSCC(SA) Psych
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	FSCAP(SA) Psych
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Forensic Psychiatry	FSFP(SA) Psych
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Geriatric Psychiatry	FSGP(SA) Psych
	Fellowship in the Subspeciality in Neuropsychiatry	FSNP(SA) Psych

(h) the insertion, in alphabetical order and in paragraph (c), of the following qualification: -

Examination authority

Qualifications

Abbreviation for registration

Buckingham, University of	Master of Science (Women's Health).	MSc (Women's Health) Buckingham
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3. Rule 3 of the rules is hereby amended by the insertion, in alphabetical order and in paragraph (b), of the following qualification: -

Examining Authority	Qualification	Abbreviation for the qualification
College of Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgeons of South Africa	Diploma in Oral Surgery	Dip Oral Surg(SA)

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