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Government Notices

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

No. 228

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REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF STUDY FOR REGISTRATION AS A PHYSIOTHERAPIST: THE ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004

Under section 55 of the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004), read with section 19(1) of that Act, and on the recommendation of the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia, I have -

- (a) made the regulations set out in the Schedule; and
- (b) repealed the regulations published under Government Notice No. 30 of 2007

R.N. KAMWI
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 29 September 2010

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -

“the Act” means the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004).

Minimum requirements of study for registration as a physiotherapist

2. (1) Subject to compliance with all the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, the minimum requirements of study for registration referred to in section 19(1) of the Act, insofar as those minimum requirements apply to the registration of a person as a physiotherapist, are any of the following qualifications obtained at any of the following educational institutions in the Republic of South Africa, awarded after the full time education, tuition and training for a period of not less than four years at that educational institution:

Educational institution	Qualification
University of Cape Town	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
University of KwaZulu-Natal (formerly University of Durban-Westville)	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
University of Pretoria	Bachelor of Physiotherapy
University of the Western Cape	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
University of Limpopo (formerly Medical University of South Africa)	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
University of Stellenbosch	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy
University of the Free State (Formerly University of the Orange Free State)	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy

(2) Any person who is not the holder of a qualification prescribed by subregulation (1) may be registered as a physiotherapist, subject to regulation 3 and to compliance with the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, if he or she is the holder of a Baccalaureus Degree in Physiotherapy obtained at an educational institution approved by the Council and awarded after the full time education, tuition and training, to the satisfaction of the Council, for a period of not less than four years at that educational institution, including education, tuition and training in -

- (a) the Theory of Clinical Medicine in the fields of -
 - (i) Pathology;
 - (ii) Internal Medicine;
 - (iii) Cardio-Pulmonary;
 - (iv) Orthopaedics or Sports Medicines;
 - (v) Surgery;

- (vi) Paediatrics;
 - (vii) Women's Health;
 - (viii) Neurology and Neurosurgery;
 - (ix) Psychiatry;
 - (x) Geriatrics; and
 - (xi) Community Medicine;
- (b) the Basic Sciences of -
- (i) Anatomy;
 - (ii) Physiology;
 - (iii) Physics and Chemistry; and
 - (iv) Behavioural Science; and
- (c) the Physiotherapy Main Domains of -
- (i) Orthopaedics;
 - (ii) Neurology;
 - (iii) Respiratory Therapy;
 - (iv) Applied Therapeutic Techniques;
 - (v) Rehabilitation; and
 - (vi) Physiotherapy Intervention in all Medical Fields; and
- (d) a minimum of 1000 hours of clinical practice in physiotherapy.

Recognition of qualification by Council

3. Notwithstanding these regulations, a person referred to in, and who is the holder of, a qualification prescribed by subregulation (2) of regulation 2, must not be registered by the Council as a physiotherapist, unless the educational institution at which he or she obtained that qualification is approved by the Council and the registration authority responsible for the registration of persons to practise as a physiotherapist in the country in which that person obtained that qualification, recognises that qualification as a qualification for registration as a physiotherapist in that country.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

No. 229

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**REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A CHIROPRACTOR:
THE ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 2004**

Under section 55 of the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004), and on the recommendation of the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia, I have made the regulations set out in the Schedule.

R.N. KAMWI
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 29 September 2010

SCHEDULE**Definitions**

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -

“chiropractic” means the system that uses the recuperative powers of the body and the relationship between the musculoskeletal structures and functions of the body, particularly of the spinal column and the nervous system, in the restoration and maintenance of health; and

“the Act” means the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004).

Scope of practice of chiropractors

- 2.** The scope of practice pertaining to chiropractors are -
- (a) the diagnosing, and treatment or prevention, of physical and mental diseases, illnesses and deficiencies in humans;
 - (b) the prescribing and dispensing of medicines, and the providing or prescribing of treatment to cure, prevent or alleviate the conditions referred to in paragraph (a);
 - (c) the physical examination of a person, with or without the taking, reading and interpreting of X-rays, for the purpose of diagnosing any physical defect, illness or deficiency in that person;
 - (d) the referral of a person to a medical practitioner, specialist medical practitioner, dentist or specialist dentist, registered under the Medical and Dental Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004), or to a registered person, for any special examination or treatment;
 - (e) the treatment or prevention of any physical defect, illness or deficiency related to spinal, pelvic, spino-visceral and general neuro-musculoskeletal conditions in a person by means of -
 - (i) manipulation or adjustment;
 - (ii) electrotherapy;
 - (iii) exercise therapy;

- (iv) hydrotherapy;
- (v) traction therapy;
- (vi) thermal therapy;
- (vii) vibration therapy;
- (viii) immobilisation therapy;
- (ix) neuro-muscular reflex therapy;
- (x) massage therapy;
- (xi) acupuncture or acupressure therapy;
- (xii) remedies, dietary advice or dietary supplementation;
- (xiii) injectable therapy; and
- (xiv) prescribe and fit orthotic aids.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

No. 230

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**REGULATIONS RELATING TO ADDITIONAL EXAMINATIONS THAT MAY BE
CONDUCTED IN RESPECT OF SOCIAL WORKERS AND SOCIAL AUXILIARY
WORKERS BY THE SOCIAL WORK AND PSYCHOLOGY COUNCIL OF NAMIBIA
UNDER SECTION 23(1)(b)(ii) OF THE SOCIAL WORK AND PSYCHOLOGY ACT, 2004**

Under section 56 of the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), read with section 23(1)(b)(ii) of that Act, and on the recommendation of the Social Work and Psychology Council of Namibia, I have made the regulations set out in the Schedule.

R.N. KAMWI**MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

Windhoek, 29 September 2010

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning, and -

“conditional registration” as a social worker or a social auxiliary worker, means the conditional registration, under section 23(2)(a) of the Act, of a person as a social worker or a social auxiliary worker, as the case may be;

“full registration” as a social worker or a social auxiliary worker, as the case may be, does not include conditional registration as a social worker or a social auxiliary worker; and

“the Act” means the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004).

Prescribed additional examinations for a social worker

2. (1) A person registered conditionally as a social worker under section 23(2) of the Act, before he or she becomes entitled to full registration as a social worker under section 20 of the Act, must pass, in addition to the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act and to the satisfaction of the Council, the additional examinations prescribed by subregulation (2).

(2) The prescribed additional examinations referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of section 23 of the Act and in subregulation (1), are examinations in each of the following domains:

- (a) The relevant legislation and policies relating to -
 - (i) the protection and welfare of children;
 - (ii) gender;
 - (iii) family violence;
 - (iv) people living with the human immunodeficiency virus and the acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
 - (v) people living with disabilities;
 - (vi) older people;
 - (vii) people with mental health problems;
 - (viii) sexual abuse and rape; and
 - (ix) addiction to substances;
- (b) Jurisprudence and Ethics relating to Social Work; and
- (c) the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), including the regulations and rules made or in force under that Act, in so far as that Act, regulations and rules relate to social workers.

Prescribed additional examinations for a social auxiliary worker

3. (1) A person registered conditionally as a social auxiliary worker under section 23(2) of the Act, before he or she becomes entitled to full registration as a social auxiliary worker under section 20 of the Act, must pass, in addition to the other requirements prescribed by or under the Act, the additional examinations prescribed by subregulation (2).

(2) The prescribed additional examinations referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) of section 23 of the Act and in subregulation (1), are examinations in each of the following domains:

- (a) the relevant legislation and policies relating to -
 - (i) the protection and welfare of children;
 - (ii) gender;
 - (iii) family violence;

- (iv) people living with the human immunodeficiency virus and the acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
 - (v) people living with disabilities;
 - (vi) older people;
 - (vii) people with mental health problems;
 - (viii) sexual abuse and rape; and
 - (ix) addiction to substances;
- (b) Jurisprudence and Ethics relating to Social Work; and
- (c) the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), including the regulations and rules made or in force under that Act, in so far as that Act, regulations and rules relate to social auxiliary workers.

Conducting of examinations

- 4.** (1) The examinations prescribed by regulations 2 and 3 -
- (a) must be conducted -
 - (i) by the Council; or
 - (ii) for and on behalf of the Council by a person or institution, whether in Namibia or elsewhere, appointed by the Council for that purpose; or
 - (iii) by an institution outside Namibia recognised by the Council as competent to conduct examinations in the domains prescribed by regulations 2 and 3;
 - (b) may be written, oral or practical examinations, or written, oral and practical examinations; and
 - (c) must be taken by the applicant on the date and at the time and venue notified in writing by the Council to the applicant.
- (2) A notice by the Council under paragraph (c) of subregulation (1) must be sent to the applicant -
- (a) by pre-paid registered post, addressed to him or her at his or her postal address as it appears on his or her application for registration; and
 - (b) not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days, before the date of the examinations prescribed by subregulation (1).
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