DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF DENTAL ASSISTANTS: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Health has, under section 24 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974) and on the recommendation of the Health Professions Council of South Africa, made the regulations in the Schedule.

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MINISTER OF HEALTH

DATE:

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In these Regulations, "the Regulations" means the Regulations relating to the qualifications for registration of dental assistants as published under Government Notice R338 in *Government Gazette* 27464 of 15 April 2005 as amended by Government Notices R580 in Government Gazette No 31084 of 30 May 2008, and R120 in Government Gazette No. 35045 of 14 February 2012.

Amendment of regulation 2 of the Regulations

- 2. Regulation 2 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the substitution for subregulation (2) of the following sub-regulation:
 - "(2) Notwithstanding anything contrary contained in these Regulations, any person who worked as a dental assistant prior to the date of publication of this amendment, may apply to the board, within six monthsafter the date of publication of this amendment, for registration as a dental assistant, and the board may exempt such person from the requirements of sub-regulation (1): Provided that such a person shall pass the board examination within two years after registration as a dental assistant, failing which, such a person shall be removed from the register of dental assistants."

Short Title

 These regulations shall be called Regulations Relating to the Qualifications for Registration of Dental Assistants: Amendment, 2017.