

No. R. 581

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HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO. 56 OF 1974)**REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD
FOR DENTAL THERAPY AND ORAL HYGIENE**

The Minister of Health intends, in terms of section 15 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), on the recommendation of the Health Professions Council of South Africa, to make the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed regulations to the Director- General of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Human Resource Development), within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE**1. Definitions**

In these regulations "the Act" means the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), and any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning and, unless the context indicates otherwise -

"**board**" means the Professional Board for Dental Therapy and Oral Hygiene established, in terms of section 15 of the Act, under Government Notice No. R. 75 of 16 January 1998;

"**section**" means a section of the Act.

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 - (c) one person representing the educational institutions accredited by the board where education and training for the professions referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) are conducted.
 - (d) one person representing the health authorities, who shall be appointed by the Minister; and
 - (e) two community representatives, who shall be appointed by the Minister.
- (2) The three dental therapists referred to in subregulation (1)(a) shall be elected by persons with registered postal addresses in South Africa and whose names appear on the register of dental therapists.
- (3) The three oral hygienists referred to in subregulation (1)(b) shall be elected by persons with registered postal addresses in South Africa and whose names appear on the register of oral hygiene.
- (4) The person representing the educational institutions referred to in subregulation (1)(c) shall be appointed by such institutions.

3. Repeal

The Regulations relating to the Constitution of a Professional Board for Dental Therapy and Oral Hygiene published under Government Notice No. R. 312 of 27 February 1998 are hereby repealed with effect from the date immediately preceding the date of the first meeting of the board constituted in terms of these regulations.



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MINISTER OF HEALTH