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HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA**REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF THE PROFESSION OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY**

The Minister of Health intends in terms of section 33(1) of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974) and in consultation with the Health Professions Council of South Africa to make the regulations in the Schedule in substitution for the Regulations defining the scope of the profession of medical technology promulgated as Government Notice No R.1733 of 9 August 1985.

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 two months of the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE**Definition**

1. In this Regulations, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have the meaning so assigned and, unless the context otherwise indicates-

“the Act” means the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974).

Acts pertaining to profession of medical technology

2. (1) Subject to the provision of subregulation (2), all acts performed during the analysis of human tissue, body fluid or excretion, where such analysis is carried out to enable a medical practitioner or dentist to make a diagnosis or institute medical or dental treatment from the results of such analysis, shall for the purposes of the Act be deemed to be acts pertaining to the profession of medical technology.
- (2) The following acts, when carried out during an analysis referred to in subregulation (1), shall for the purposes of the Act be deemed not to be acts pertaining to the profession of medical technology:
 - (a) the labelling, primary tube centrifuging and transporting of specimens or the transcribing of results already manually or mechanically recorded;
 - (b) the preparation of equipment, culture media and reagents; and
 - (c) staining slides for microscopic examination.

Repeal

2. The regulations published under Government Notice No. R. 1733 of 9 August 1985, are hereby repealed.


MINISTER OF HEALTH

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