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## GOVERNMENT NOTICE

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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

No. R. 699

10 August 2007

#### HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

#### REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF CLINICAL ASSOCIATES

The Minister of Health intends, 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, to make the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations in writing on the proposed regulations to the Director-General: Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Human Resource Stakeholder Relations and Management), within two months from the date of publication of this Notice.

### SCHEDULE

#### Definitions

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

**“board”** means the Medical and Dental Professions Board established in terms of section 15(1) of the Act,

**“clinical associate”** means a person registered as such under the Act,

**“supervised practice”** means the practicing of a registered profession by a registered person under the supervision of another registered practitioner,

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

**Qualifications for registration.**

2. The qualifications required for registration as a clinical associate under the Act, shall be:

***Examining Authority and Qualification******Abbreviation for Registration*****University of Cape Town**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (UCT)

**University of the Free State**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Free State)

**University of Kwa-Zulu Natal**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Kwa-Zulu Natal)

**University of Limpopo (Medunsa)**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Limpopo)

**University of Pretoria**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Pretoria)

**University of Stellenbosch**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Stellenbosch)

**University of Witwatersrand**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Wits)

**Walter Sisulu University**

Bachelor of Medical Clinical Practice

B.Med. Clin practice (Walter Sisulu)

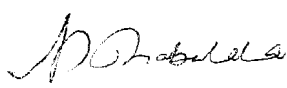
**Registration as clinical associate**

3. (1) The registrar may register a person as a clinical associate if such a person has obtained a qualification contemplated by regulation 2.

- (2) In the case of an application for registration as a clinical associate based on a qualification not contemplated in these regulations, the applicant must furnish the board with documentary proof of the contents, duration and evaluation of the education and training which was undergone for such qualification.
- (3) If the standard of such education and training is considered satisfactory by the board, such qualification may, in terms of section 15B (1)(e) of the Act, be approved by the board.
- (4) The board may, in terms of section 15B(1)(b) of the Act, require an applicant contemplated in sub-regulation (2) to pass an examination in clinical associate before he or she can be registered as a clinical associate.
- (5) The registrar may register an applicant contemplated in sub-regulation (2) as a clinical associate, if such applicant's qualification has been approved by the board and, where required, also passed the examination referred to in sub-regulation (3).

**Conditions of practice**

- (4). A person registered as a clinical associate in terms of these regulations shall be limited to practice the profession under supervised practice.



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