

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

No. 697

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HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO. 56 OF 1974)**NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS****NOMINATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE PROFESSIONAL BOARDS OF
THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA**

- (1) Notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Regulations relating to the nomination and appointment of members of a professional board, calling upon all persons registered with the **Health Professions Council of South Africa** to submit nominations of members of their professional board to be appointed by the Minister to serve on the respective professional boards for the unexpired term of office of the professional boards ending on 30 June 2015.

- (2) Nominations of persons for appointment as members of a professional board are specifically invited from persons registered under the following professional boards in specified professions:-

(a) Professional board for Dental Therapy and Oral Hygiene

- (i) One Oral Hygienist

(b) Professional board for Dietetics

- (i) Two Dieticians
(ii) One Nutritionist

(c) Professional board for Emergency Care Practitioners

- (i) Four Emergency Care Technicians
(ii) One Intermediate Life Support Practitioner
(iii) One Emergency Care Practitioner

(d) Professional board for Occupational Therapy, Medical Orthotics and Prosthetics and Arts Therapy

- (i) One Occupational Therapy Assistant or Occupational Therapy Technician

(e) Professional board for Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Biokinetics

- (i) Two Physiotherapists

- (ii) One Physiotherapy Assistant or Physiotherapy Technician

(f) Professional board for Psychology

- (i) One Industrial Psychologist
- (ii) One Counseling Psychologist
- (iii) One Research Psychologist
- (iv) One Psychometrist

(g) Professional board for Speech, Language and Hearing Professions

- (i) One Speech Therapist and Audiologist
- (ii) One Community Speech and Hearing Correctionist

- (3) Any person whose name appears on the relevant register or registers kept under section 18 of Act 56 of 1974-
 - (a) who has not entered into a composition with the creditors of his or her estate, or whose estate has not been sequestrated;
 - (b) who is not disqualified under the Act from practising his or her profession;
 - (c) who is registered with the Council under the Act;
 - (d) who is a South African citizen and is permanently resident in South Africa;
 - (e) who is not a patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Act, 1973;
 - (f) who has not been found guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct at an inquiry held under Chapter IV of the Act;
 - (g) who has not been convicted of an offence in respect whereof he or she was sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine or in the case of fraud, a fine or imprisonment;
 - (h) who is not a member of a municipal council, provincial legislature or parliament; or
 - (i) who is not a provincial or national office bearer or employee of any party, organization or body of a political nature, is eligible for nomination.
- (4) Each nominee must be nominated on a separate nomination form, and any person entitled to nominate in the nomination process shall only nominate and sign up to three nomination forms for any number of nominees to be appointed.
- (5) Each nomination form must -
 - (a) state the first names and the surname of the person nominated;
 - (b) state the nominee's registered profession and professional category, if any;
 - (c) state the other details of the nominee as required in the nomination form, including a brief curriculum vitae of the nominee and a written motivation

by the nominee outlining his or her vision for the profession, contribution he or she made to the profession and future contribution he or she intends to make towards the development of the profession, including his or her actual or potential leadership qualities and the ability to assume the responsibilities and functions entrusted under the Act;

- (d) be signed by two persons whose names appear in the register or registers referred to in paragraph (2) above; and
 - (e) be signed by the nominee confirming that he or she consents to his or her nomination, while also declaring under oath, that he or she will execute the functions of the council and ensure adherence to the Act and any other applicable prescript if appointed.
- (6) If the person nominated is unable to sign the nomination form, he or she may inform the returning officer by letter or facsimile transmission that he or she consents to his or her nomination and attach the required declaration under oath.
- (7) Formal Notices with specific categories of persons eligible for nomination in each professional board and nomination forms may be obtained from the Returning Officer at the physical address given below and may also be downloaded from www.hpcs.co.za
- (8) Every completed nomination form must reach the returning officer at the addresses, fax number or email address given below not later than **16H30 on 30th day of September 2011**
- (9) Every nomination form in respect of which any of the requirements as stipulated in the notices referred to in (7) above has not been complied with, or which is not received by the aforesaid date and time at the address, fax number or email address given below, will be invalid.

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