

BOARD NOTICE

BOARD NOTICE 87 OF 2014

HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

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) The **Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)** is a statutory body established in terms of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974) ("the Act"), to serve and protect the public, and to provide guidance to registered healthcare practitioners. Professional Boards with regard to the health professions in respect of which a register is kept are established in terms of section 15(1) of the Act and the objects thereof are outlined in section 15A of the Act.
- (2) Notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Regulations relating to the nominations and appointments of members of a professional board as published under Government Notice R1257 in *Government Gazette* 31633 of 28 November 2008 ("the nomination and appointment regulations"), calling upon all persons registered with the **HPCSA** to submit nominations of members of their professional board to be appointed by the Honourable Minister of Health, Dr Aaron Motsoaledi to serve on the respective professional boards for the new term of office effective 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2020.
- (3) Nominations of persons for appointment as members of a professional board are specifically invited from persons with registered postal addresses in the Republic, registered under the professional boards listed hereunder, in specified professions.

PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND CATEGORIES FOR NOMINATION

(a) The Professional Board for Emergency Care Practitioners:	(g) The Professional Board for Occupational Therapy, Medical Orthotics/Prosthetics and Arts Therapy:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Four advanced life support emergency care practitioners; ii. Two intermediate life support emergency care practitioners; iii. Two basic life support emergency care practitioners; iv. Four emergency care practitioners; v. Four emergency care technicians; 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Four occupational therapists; ii. Two medical orthotists and prosthetists; iii. One occupational therapy assistant or occupational therapy technician; iv. One assistant medical orthotist and prosthetist, leatherworker, orthopaedic footwear technician or orthopaedic technical assistant; v. One arts therapists;

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(b) The Medical and Dental Professions Board: i. Twenty – five medical practitioners; ii. Five dentists; iii. One person whose name appears on the register of medical scientists ;	(h) Professional Board for Speech, Language and Hearing Professions: i. Four speech therapists and audiologists; ii. One hearing aid acoustician; iii. One person whose name appears on either the register of audiometrician, community speech and hearing worker, speech and hearing correctionist, or speech and hearing assistant;
(c) The Professional Board for Optometry and Dispensing Opticians: i. Six optometrists; ii. Two dispensing opticians;	(i) The Professional Board for Dietetics: i. Five dietitians; ii. One nutritionists;
(d) The Professional Board for Environmental Health Practitioners: i. Eight environmental health practitioners;	(j)The Professional Board for Radiography and Clinical Technology: i. Five radiographers. ii. Three graduate clinical technologists.
(e) The Professional Board for Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Biokinetics: i. Five physiotherapists; ii. Two podiatrists; iii. Two biokineticists; iv. One person whose name appears on either the register of physiotherapy assistants or physiotherapy technicians;	(k) The Professional Board for Psychology: i. Twelve psychologists; ii. One registered counsellor; iii. One psychometrist;
(f) The Professional Board for Medical Technology: i. Five medical technologists; ii. One medical technician;	(l)The Professional Board for Dental Therapy and Oral Hygiene: i. Three dental therapists; ii. Three oral hygienists; iii. Two dental assistants;

(4) The nomination and appointment process of members to the Professional Boards will be guided by the nomination and appointment regulations", outlining the procedure of nomination and appointment. The nomination and appointment regulations provides that no person shall be eligible for nomination and subsequent appointment as a member of the board if:

- (a) He or she is not registered with the Council under the Act;
- (b) He or she is not a South African citizen and is not permanently resident in South Africa;
- (c) He or she has entered into a composition with the creditors of his or her estate, or whose estate has been sequestrated;
- (d) He or she is disqualified under the Act from practicing his or her profession;

- (e) He or she has been found guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct at an inquiry held under Chapter IV of the Act;
 - (f) He or she is a patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Care Act, 2002 (Act No. 17 of 2002);
 - (g) He or she has 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) He or she is a member of a municipal council, provincial legislature or parliament; or
 - (i) He or she is a provincial or national office bearer or employee of any party, organization or body of a political nature.
- (5) 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 considered for appointment.
- (6) 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.
- (7) 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.
- (8) 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.hpcsa.co.za or www.eisa.org.za from **12 August 2014**
- (9) 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 October 2014.**
- (10) Every nomination form in respect of which any of the requirements as stipulated 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.

Returning Officer: The Electoral Institute for Sustainable Democracy in Africa (EISA) has been appointed to handle the nomination process.

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DATE: 31 July 2014