DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO. 729

Department: Health REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

Re-nominations of Members of the Professional Boards of the Health Professions Council of South Africa

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.

Notice is hereby given calling upon all persons registered with the HPCSA to submit nominations of members of the professional boards indicated below to be appointed by the Honourable Minister of Health, Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, to serve on the respective professional boards for the new term office ending 30 June 2020.

The notice is given in terms of Regulation 4(3) of the Regulations relating to the nominations and appointments of members of a professional board published under Government Notice No: R 1257 in the Government Gazette No 31633 of 28 November 2008 in accordance with the Act; which provides that, the Minister shall have the power to call for further nominations if the names of persons validly nominated are less than the required number or if the nominated persons do not meet the requirements contemplated in sub-regulation 5 of the said regulations.

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 in terms of Regulation 1254 relating to the constitution of this Professional Board as follows:
 - i. Two Basic Life Support Emergency Care Practitioners
 - ii. Two Emergency Care Technicians
- (b) The Professional Board for Occupational Therapy, Medical Orthotics/Prosthetics and Arts Therapy in terms of Regulation 1251 relating to the constitution of this Professional Board as follows:
 - i. Two Occupational Therapists
 - ii. One Medical Orthotists and Prosthetists
 - iii. One Assistant Medical Orthotist and Prosthetist, Leatherworker, Orthopaedic Footwear Technician or Orthopaedic Technical Assistant
- (c) The Professional Board for Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Biokinetics in terms of Regulation 1246 relating to the constitution of this Professional Board as follows:
- i. One Biokineticist
- (d) The Professional Board for Speech, Language and Hearing Professions in terms of Regulation 1247 relating to the constitution of this Professional Board as follows:
 - i. One Hearing Aid Acoustician
 - 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

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(e) The Professional Board for Dietetics in terms of Regulation 1256 relating to the constitution of this Professional Board as follows:

i. Two Dieticians

The nomination and appointment process of members to the Professional Boards will be guided by Regulation 1257 outlining procedure of nomination and appointment. This regulation dictates that no person shall be eligible for nomination and subsequent appointment as a member of the board if he/she: • Is not registered with the Council under the Act • Is not a South African citizen and is not permanently resident in South Africa • Has entered into a composition with the creditors of his or her estate, or whose estate has been sequestrated • Is disqualified under the Act form practising his or her profession • Has been found guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct at an inquiry held under Chapter IV of the Act • Is a patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Care Act, 2002 (Act No 17 of 2002) • 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 • Is a member of a municipal council, provincial legislature or Parliament; or • Is a provincial or national office bearer or employee of any party, organisation or body of a political nature.

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.

Each nomination form must: • State the first names and the sumame of the person nominated • State the nominee's registered profession and professional category • 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 • Be signed by two persons whose names appear in the register or registers under the professional boards mentioned above • 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.

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.

The nomination form may be downloaded from www.doh.gov.za or www.hpcsa.co.za

Every completed nomination form must reach the Department of Health (for attention: Directorate: Public Entities Governance) at the addresses, fax number or e-mail address given below by no later than 16:30 on 21 August 2015. 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 e-mail address given below, will be invalid.

Applications can be sent as follows: Postal address: Private Bag X828, Pretoria 0001; hand-delivery: Reception, Civitas Building, corner of Thabo Sehume (formerly known as Andries) and Struben Streets, Pretoria; e-mail: TsebeG@health.gov.za or fax: 086 632 5876.

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