## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

23 July 2021

# HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT, 1974 (ACT NO.56 OF 1974)

REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR EMERGENCY CARE PRACTITIONERS

The Minister of Health intends, in terms of section 15 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 on the proposed regulations to the Director-General of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for attention of the Director: Public Entities Governance, <u>mihloti.mushwana@health.gov.za</u>), within three months of the date of publication of this notice.

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MS MT KUBAYI-NGUBANE, MP

ACTING MINISTER OF HEALTH

DATE: 06/07/2021

#### SCHEDULE

#### Definitions

1. In these regulations any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning and unless the context indicates otherwise -

"**board**" means the Professional Board for Emergency Care practitioners established in terms of Section 15 of the Act;

"designated groups" means black people, women and persons with disabilities who, for purposes of these regulations, shall be protected and advanced in the following order of the levels of disadvantage of the past, which must be taken into consideration in the appointment process:

- (a) women,
- (b) men of African, Asian or Coloured descent, and
- (c) disabled persons, irrespective of descent;

"Republic" means the Republic of South Africa; and

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

#### Constitution of the board

**2.** The board consists of the following 21 members who permanently reside in the Republic and appointed by the Minister on the basis of nominations by persons who permanently reside in the Republic:

- (a) four paramedics, of whom at least two must be from designated groups and at least one must be a woman, whose names appear in the register of paramedics;
- (b) one ambulance emergency assistant, whose name appears in the register of ambulance emergency assistants;
- (c) one emergency care assistant, whose name appears in the register of emergency care assistants;
- (d) one basic ambulance assistant, whose name appears in the register of basic ambulance assistants;
- (e) one emergency care technician whose name appears in the register of emergency care technicians;
- (f) seven emergency care practitioners, of whom at least three shall be from designated groups and at least two shall be a woman, whose names appear in the register of emergency care practitioners;
- (g) one person registered with the board, and recommended by Universities South Africa to represent educational institutions;

- (h) one person representing the Department of Health; and
- (i) four community representatives, of whom at least two shall be from designated groups and at least one shall be a woman.

## Repeal

**3.** The regulations relating to the Constitution of a Professional Board for Emergency Care Practitioners Published under Government Notice R1254 in Government Gazette 31633 of 28 November 2008 are hereby repealed.

## Short title

**4.** These Regulations are called Regulations Relating to the Constitution of the Professional Board for Emergency Care Practitioners, 2021.