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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NOTICE 2870 OF 2024

The South African Veterinary Council

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 33(3) (bA) OF THE VETERINARY AND PARA-VETERINARY PROFESSIONS ACT, ACT NO 19 OF 1982 (the ACT)

Particulars of the following person found guilty of unprofessional conduct by the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) after due inquiry into their conduct in terms of the rules relating to veterinary professions and para-veterinary profession, are published for general information:

** Matters under review

	Name of Person	Transgression	Penalty Imposed	Date
1.	Dr JH Davies [D82/1674] Pretoria	1. That he contravened Rule 1(vii) in that he neglected to give proper attention to a client and/or patient or failed to attend to patient's welfare while under his care without valid reason.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fine of R20 000.00 • Suspension of registration for a period of 1 year, the execution of which is wholly suspended for a period of 5 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension. 	9/7/2024
2.	Mr CS Morake [H06/8010] Sasolburg	1. Contravention of Rule 4(5)(a) of the Rules Relating to the Practising of Para-Veterinary Profession of the Animal Health Technician, in that on 13 July 2023, he conducted himself in a dishonest and unethical manner by issuing the animal movement permit for the movement of animals from Heilbron to Kroonstad, without having inspected the animals concerned; 2. Rule 4(5)(a) of the Rules Relating to the Practising of Para-Veterinary Profession of the Animal Health Technician, in that on 20 July 2023, he conducted himself in a dishonest and unethical manner by issuing the animal movement permit for the movement of animals from Heilbron to Kroonstad, without having inspected the animals concerned; 3. Rule 4(5)(a) of the Rules Relating to the Practising of Para-Veterinary Profession of the Animal Health Technician, in that on 20 July 2023, he conducted himself in a dishonest and unethical manner by issuing the animal movement permit in which he falsely certified the animals to have been inspected/mouthed and to be free of infective material or disease, whereas on presentation some were found to have visible lesions; and 4. Rule 4(e)(xviii) of the Rules Relating to the Practising of Para-veterinary Profession of Animal Health Technician in that between	1. A fine of R10 000.00, wholly suspended for a period of 5 years. 2. Suspension of registration for a period of 6 months, wholly suspended for 5 years, on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension.	10/7/2024

		the period 23 August 2023 to 19 March 2024, he failed to comply with a directive and/or request from the Council and/ or the Registrar or an official appointed by the Council requiring him to file an answer to the complaint under investigation, despite numerous requests from the Council.		
3.	Dr SK Marimbire [D07/9145] Eastern Cape	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contravention of Rule 1(vi) in that he failed to perform professional work, or work of a kind commonly performed by a registered veterinary professional, with such a degree of skill, care or attention, or of such a quality or standard, as in the opinion of the Council may be expected of a reasonable veterinarian, in that between the period 10 August 2023 to 21 August 2023, at Komani Veterinary Clinic, he employed a poor surgical technique and poor choice of suturing material, resulting in wound dehiscence and/ or that he failed to take precautions by admitting the patient for observation and monitoring of the bleeding upon presenting for the second or third time with the same complication and/or that he did not make provision for pain management treatment, upon discharging the patient; and 2. Contravention of Rule 21(4)(n) in that on 21 August 2023 and upon attending to the patient he dispensed antibiotic Sinulox 250mg, the labelling and/or packaging of which, did not comply with the requirements of Rule 21(4)(n). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fine of R10 000.00, wholly suspended for a period of 3 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension. • He was also ordered to attend a medical / surgical / clinical CPD training course/event to update his knowledge, experience and competence in basic small animal surgical procedures. 	11/7/2024
4.	Dr P Mponda [D08/9362] Alberton	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period March 2019 to September 2021, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Kudzai Changuma, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform; 2. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period September 2021 to June 2022, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Roland Homela, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fine of R50 000 • Suspension of registration for a period of 3 years, the execution of which is wholly suspended for 3 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension. • The registered facilities Alberton Veterinary Clinic and Randhart Veterinary Clinic, were ordered to be immediately deregistered, pending remedial action and compliance with the minimum standards. 	29/7/2024

		<p>perform;</p> <p>3. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period December 2022 to January 2023, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Steve, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform;</p> <p>4. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period December 2022, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Prosper, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform;</p> <p>5. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period December 2022 to January 2023, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Steve, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform;</p> <p>6. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period March 2020, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Eugene, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform; and</p> <p>7. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period August 2020, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified only as Dr Emmanuel, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform.</p>		
5.	Dr P Mponda [D08/9362] Alberton	<p>1. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982, in that during the period 29 December 2023 and 30 December 2023 and in relation to a scheduled sterilization procedure on a patient he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified as Dr Steve, to perform the sterilisation procedure, which by law only a registered veterinarian is allowed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fine of R70 000.00, of which R30 000 is suspended for a period of 3 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression, within the period of suspension. • A costs order in the amount of R60 000 was 	30/7/2024

		to perform; and 2. Contravention of Rule 1(xi) in that he failed to adequately supervise and/or ensure adequate supervision of the staff by a qualified and registered veterinary professional.	granted.	
6.	Dr A Vahed [D22/14382] New Zealand	1. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period between 13 March 2022 and 21 March 2022, she directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled Ms LS Duffield, who is not qualified and not registered with the SAVC to perform professional work which by law only a registered veterinarian is allowed to perform.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fine of R20 000 	31/7/2024
7.	Dr KN Koeppel [S16/05986] Pretoria	1. Contravention of Rule 1(iv) in that on or about December 2022, she participated in the distribution of an unregistered Raboral V-RG oral bait vaccine (Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health) in animals for Rabies, in circumstances where she ought to have taken better precautions and obtained the required authorisation/permit from the Director of Animal Health for the distribution and use of the vaccines.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caution / Reprimand in terms of section 33(1)(a) of the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Act 19 of 1982; and She was ordered to write an article on the importance of compliance with the Animal Diseases Act, in particular sections 6 and 20, for publication in the SAVC newsletter and the University of Pretoria newsletter. 	26/9/2024
8.	Dr R Lloyd [D20/12903] Bethal	1. Contravention of Rule 1(vi) in that he failed to perform professional work, or work of a kind commonly performed by a registered veterinary professional, with such a degree of skill, care or attention, or of such a quality or standard, as in the opinion of the Council may be expected of the reasonable veterinarian, in that between 10 November 2023 to 11 November 2023, he failed to properly attend to the patient, who presented in a critical condition and/or failed to advise on or refer the patient to a facility that offers 24-hours services and that he abdicated his responsibility as the veterinary professional to the receptionist, by allowing her to contact and inform the client directly of the patient's demise.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning 	4/10/2024
9.	Dr MS Mashishi [D04/0412] Gauteng	1. Contravention of Rule 4(3)(e)(ii) in that he acted in a manner that discredits the veterinary profession and/or brings the Veterinary profession into disrepute, in that on or about 13 August 2022 and while a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fine of R10 000, wholly suspended for a period of 2 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within 	12/11/2024

		volunteer at the Tsolo Agricultural and Rural Development Institute, he made improper advances to a student and/or used his position of authority improperly.	the period of suspension.	
10.	Dr WJ Coertze [D20/12903] Parys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contravention of Rule 1(vi) in that he failed to perform professional work, or work of a kind commonly performed by a registered veterinary professional, with such a degree of skill, care or attention, or of such a quality or standard, as in the opinion of the Council may be expected of the reasonable veterinarian, in that he failed to ensure that the semen straws received at In Vitro Africa were counted and/or verified against the list and/or evaluated upon receipt on 15 November 2022. Further that he failed to ensure proper storage of the straws, resulting in loss to the client. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fine of R20 000, half of which is suspended for a period of 2 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension. 	14/11/2024
11.	Dr JHL Degenaar [D23/14342] Standerton	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contravention of Rule 1(vi) in that he failed to perform professional work, or work of a kind commonly performed by a registered veterinary professional, with such a degree of skill, care or attention, or of such a quality or standard, as in the opinion of the Council may be expected of a reasonable veterinarian, in that on or about 7 January 2024 and at Standerton Animal Clinic and in relation to a patient, he failed to implement and/or follow proper diagnostic protocols and to implement proper treatment and/or that he failed to manage an emergency case, requiring surgery appropriately. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fine of R30 000.00, half of which is suspended for a period of 3 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression within the period of suspension. A costs order in the amount of R60 000 was granted. 	20/11/2024
12.	Dr D Zupanc [D11/11437] Secunda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that on or about 2 September 2022 and at Dr Darko Veterinary Hospital, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified as a Ms Yvette Bodington, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period November 2020 to July 2021, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified as Mr AM Wrigley, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform. Contravention of Rule 1(xviii) read with section 23 of Act 19 of 1982 in that during the period November 2020 to July 2021, he directly or indirectly assisted, allowed or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A fine of R120 000, half of which is suspended for a period of 3 years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar transgression, within the period of suspension. A costs order in the amount of R60 000 was granted. 	21/11/2024

		<p>enabled an unqualified person and/or unregistered person, identified as Mr Christo Boshoff, to perform professional work which by law only a veterinarian and/or a para-veterinary professional is allowed to perform.</p> <p>4. Contravention of Rule 21(4)(c)(ii) in that on inspection of the facility Dr Darko Veterinary Hospital on 5 May 2023, there were no locks fitted on the medicine cupboard where schedule 2 to 4 medicines are stored, as a result the medicines were accessible to lay persons or unauthorised employees, in the absence of the veterinarian.</p> <p>5. Contravention of Rule 21(4)(c)(ii) in that on inspection of the facility Dr Darko Veterinary Hospital on 5 May 2023, the keys to the pharmacy room, where scheduled medicines, including schedule 6 medicines are stored, were kept in the cash drawer at reception, where it was accessible to lay persons or unauthorised employees.</p>		
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