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REGULATIONS RELATING TO CONDITIONS SUBJECT TO WHICH REGISTERED PERSONS MAY CONDUCT PRACTICES RELATING TO THEIR PROFESSIONS: SOCIAL WORK AND PSYCHOLOGY ACT, 2004

Under subsection (1)(h) of section 56 of the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004) read with subsection (1)(j) of that section, and on the recommendation of the Social Work and Psychology Council of Namibia, I make the regulations set out in the Schedule.

DR. K. SHANGULA
MINISTER OF HEALTH
AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Windhoek, 19 July 2023

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Definitions

1. In these regulations, a word or expression to which a meaning has been given in the Act has that meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

“health facility” means a health facility as defined in section 1 of the Hospitals and Health Facilities Act, 1994 (Act No. 36 of 1994);

“health practitioner” means a person registered under section 17 or with a speciality under section 33 of the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004; and

“the Act” means the Social Work and Psychology Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004).

Changes in conditions to practise

2. (1) The Council may, on registration of a health practitioner, add conditions on the registration certificate relating to the manner in which such practitioner is to practise his or her profession.

(2) The conditions referred to under subregulation (1) include -

(a) the placement of a health practitioner at any health facility -

(i) in any region; or

(ii) for such period,

as determined by the Council; or

(b) any other conditions that the Council may determine in accordance with the Act.

Changes to registration certificate

3. (1) The Council may, at any period, add, amend or cancel conditions imposed as contemplated under regulation 2 on a registration certificate if the Council so determines that change in the registration certificate is in the best interest of the public and in accordance with the Act.

- (2) A health practitioner may apply, in writing, to the Council to amend or cancel a condition -
- (a) during or after the commencement of the condition, on good cause shown; or
 - (b) after successful completion of the conditions as set out in the register in terms of section 25 of the Act.
- (3) The Council must, within 30 days of deciding to add, amend or cancel conditions on a registration certificate under subregulation (1), inform the health practitioner of such decision in writing.

Appeal procedure

4. (1) A health practitioner aggrieved by the decision of the Council may, in writing, lodge a notice of appeal to the appeal committee against the decision of the Council made in terms of regulation 3 within 30 days of receipt of decision.
- (2) An appeal made in terms of subregulation (1) must comply with the procedure set out in section 53 of the Act.

Language of forms and documents

5. (1) Subject to subregulation (2), a document required to be submitted to the Council or to the Registrar in terms of these regulations must be in the English language.
- (2) Any document referred to in subregulation (1) that is not in the English language must be accompanied by a sworn translation of it in English.
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