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**REGULATIONS** 

#### REGULATIONS MADE IN TERMS OF

# Social Work and Psychology Act 6 of 2004

section 56(1)(h) read with section 56(1)(j)

# Regulations relating to Conditions subject to which Registered Persons may conduct Practices relating to their Professions

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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

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"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.

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(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.