



SAPC e-Note



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Dear Pharmacist Intern,

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In terms of Section 14A of the Pharmacy Act, 53 of 1974, following the completion of the Bachelor of Pharmacy qualification and the internship year, newly qualified pharmacists should perform one year of remunerated community service. Once the internship requirements have been fulfilled and following the release from internship, a Pharmacist Intern becomes eligible for registration as a pharmacist for the purpose of performing pharmaceutical community service (CSP).

As from **17 December 2024**, the Office of the Registrar will embark on the bulk release of Pharmacist Interns who have completed at least 350 practical training days of internship, if they have met all the other pre-registration evaluation requirements which include competence in CPD (i.e., successful in six (6) CPD entries), the successful completion of the pre-registration examination and submission of all progress reports.

Following the bulk release, interns will be systematically released daily as they meet the eligibility criteria. The system will revert to releasing interns only once they complete at least 365 days in January 2025 provided that the intern has met all other pre-registration requirements.

You are required to complete at least 365 days of your internship at your pharmacy of internship under an approved tutor and to ensure that you meet your full contractual obligations even after you have been released from internship by Council.

If you intend to commence with community service at the beginning of January 2025, you are advised to submit your online application for registration as a community service pharmacist by 23 December 2024. Applications submitted after 23 December 2024 will be processed in January 2025. Please note that your registration date will be determined by the date your **complete** application was submitted to Council or the community service commencement date indicated on the letter of appointment or CSP contract. Should there be any outstanding documents, your registration date will be the date the outstanding document(s) were received by Council should this date be later than the commencement date indicated on the letter of appointment or CSP contract.

Should you have queries or if you need to submit documents after your online application has been submitted, please email csp@sapc.za.org.

For your convenience, an **information sheet** that explains how to register as a community service pharmacist has been attached to this e-Note.

Yours sincerely,

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