

Steps to register as a Community Service Pharmacist (CSP) for the purpose of performing pharmaceutical community service and general information

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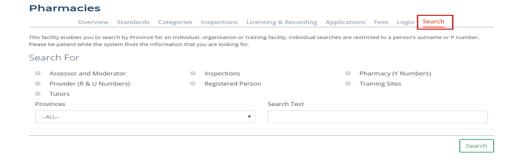
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Step 1: Verification of a CSP site

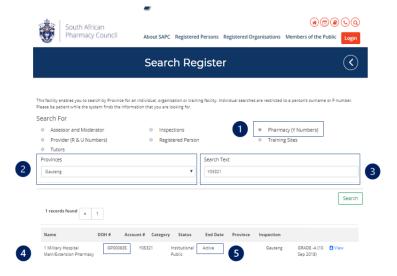
Verification of a CSP site on the SAPC website (www.sapc.za.org) the intern can verify a CSP site by clicking on "Registered organisations" - Pharmacies



Click on the "search" tab.



The prospective CSP must ensure that the pharmacy where they have been appointed to perform community service is licensed by the National Department of Health (NDoH) and recorded with the SAPC (i.e. it has a licence number) and that it is registered as "active".



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Step 2: Access your secure SAPC profile

Following CSP placement by the National Department of Health (NDoH) Internship and Community Service Placement (ICSP), the Pharmacist Intern released for community service can access the CSP online application from the secure site of the SAPC website: www.sapc.za.org. Please click on the login tab, then the Registered Persons tab, then enter your P-number, ID/passport number and your password.



Registered Persons

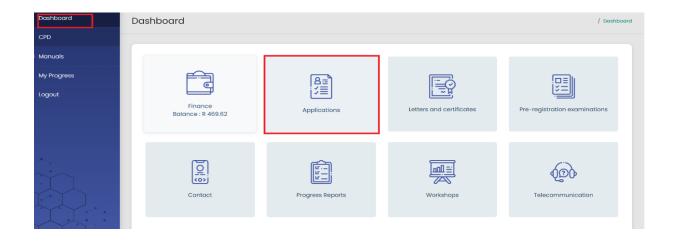


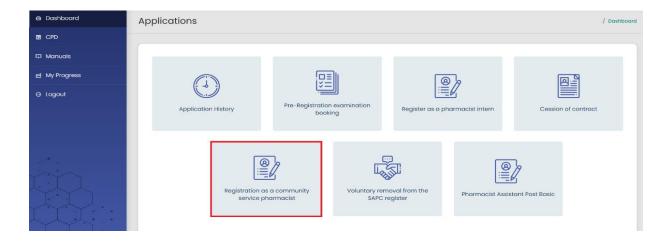
Login with your unique account number eg. P12345, enter your full I number with no spaces, enter your password as sent to you. Note: y can be changed once you have successfully logged in. For more infolhere to read the tutorial: How to login on the SAPC Website.

- Request a password
- O Useful login tips, click here
- Secure login tutorial, click here

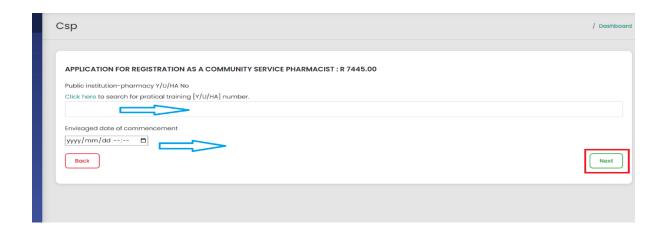
Step 3: Applying for registration as a community service pharmacist (CSP)

The landing page after logging on to the secure site is the dashboard. You may alternatively click on the dashboard tab on the blue panel on the left. You will access the application for registration as a CSP by clicking on the applications tab. Click on the application and complete the required information. Remember to attach all the documents that are required as part of the application.

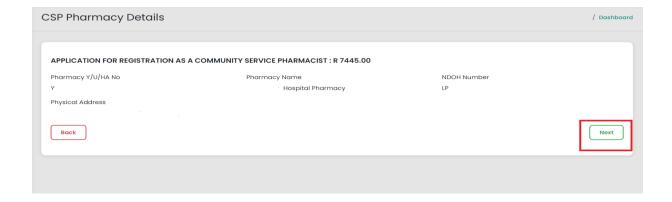




Capture the Y-number of the pharmacy where the community service will be undertaken and also insert the envisaged commencement date.



If seconded to a private institution and the system does not recognise the Y-number of the private institution, contact NDoH to update the pharmacy list with SAPC

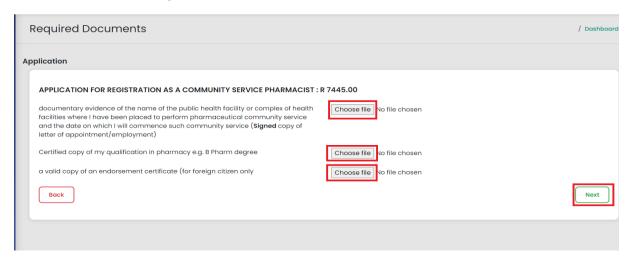


Step 4: Attach the required documents

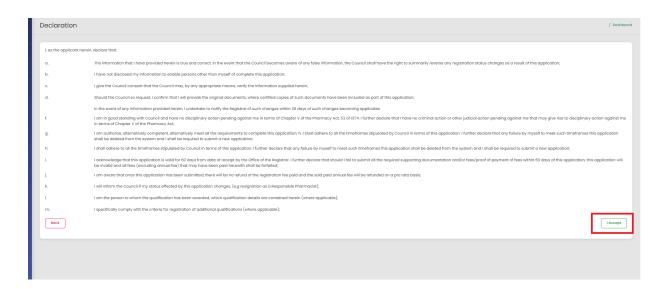
Attach the following required documents:

- (a) Allocation letter issued by the National Department of Health (NDoH) indicating the pharmacy you have been allocated to for CSP;
- (b) Job offer & acceptance letter or employment contract indicating CSP start date (i.e. acceptance letter indicating start date for commencement of CSP is compulsory);
- (c) Certified copy of qualification/degree;
- (d) Valid endorsement certificate (for foreign nationals) an Endorsement certificate should indicate the details of the pharmacy where community service will take place; and
- (e) Proof of payment of applicable fee if payment is not made through instant EFT (SID).

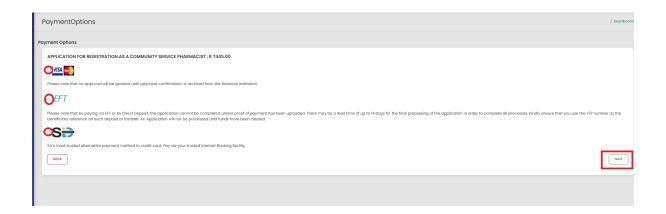
Note: The allocation letter may be uploaded together with the signed copy of the letter of appointment/employment.



Step 5: Accept the declaration



Step 6: Choose a payment method:



General Information

What affects the CSP registration date?

The **registration date** depends on the following:



What happens when you complete the CSP?



What happens if placement as a CSP is delayed?

- Once released from internship, an intern may no longer practise as an intern, Pharmacist's Assistant or Pharmacy Technician or pharmacist until registered as a CSP.
- There is an allowance within legislation to permit those awaiting placement as a CSP, to work as a Pharmacy Technician for a period of six (6) months:
 - You need to have written confirmation from ICSP that:
 - ✓ You have not yet been placed as a CSP; and/or
 - ✓ You will commence CSP in the next cycle

- There is also an allowance for interns who would like to delay their registration as CSP to work as a Pharmacy Technician for a maximum period of twelve (12) months.
- Complete the relevant application form and pay the applicable fee.

Frequently asked questions about practice as a CSP

Can a CSP work as a locum pharmacist at a private facility after hours?

A CSP is a pharmacist located in a specific facility and may not work outside the allocated area.

Can a CSP be a Responsible Pharmacist?

A CSP can assume the role of a Responsible Pharmacist after such an application is made to the SAPC.

Can a CSP tutor pharmacy support personnel?

Yes, a CSP can tutor pharmacy support personnel.

Can a CSP tutor a Pharmacist Intern?

No, a CSP cannot tutor a Pharmacist Intern, a pharmacist must have been in practice for more than three (3) years to be able to tutor a Pharmacist Intern.

For any further queries please send an email to csp@sapc.za.org