



South African
Pharmacy Council

2017 COMMUNITY SERVICE PHARMACIST PLACEMENTS

Dear Prospective CSP

Kindly note that the South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC) is aware that some interns who have complied with the requirements for internship (prospective CSPs) are experiencing difficulties with regard to community service placements (CSP). As you are aware, these placements are the mandate of the National Department of Health (NDoH). However, SAPC is in communication with the NDoH regarding the CSP placements and the registration process.

The NDoH has assured the SAPC that they will endeavour to resolve this matter speedily. All prospective CSPs are further referred to the provisions of the Pharmacy Act, 53 of 1974, which are detailed below.

In terms of the Act, it is the mandate of the National Department of Health to do placements of Community Service Pharmacists and consequently, Council to register a person as a CSP once the applicant complies with requirements of the Act i.e. the applicant will be registered as CSP on production of the following documents:

- (a) submit acceptable documentary evidence of the name of the **public health facility or complex of health facilities** where he or she has been placed to perform pharmaceutical community service and the date on which he or she will assume duty at such facility;
- (b) a duly completed application on a form as approved and provided by council;
- (c) a certified copy of his or her identity document or passport;
- (d) acceptable documentary evidence that-
 - (i) he or she holds a qualification in pharmacy;
 - (ii) completed his or her internship: provided that the council may exempt him or her partially or in full from this requirement on submission of documentary evidence to the satisfaction of council that he or she has undertaken practical training as part of his or her undergraduate studies under the supervision of a provider of a qualification in pharmacy; and
- (e) pay the registration fee as determined by the council.

For more information regarding your placements you are requested to contact Victor Khanyile at the following e-mail address Victor.Khanyile@health.gov.za.

Should you have any queries with CSP registration please contact SAPC at 2017csp@sapc.za.org

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