Circular No. (24/2020)

From | Department of Healthcare Professions / Ministry of Public Health
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To | • All Healthcare Practitioners from in the State of Qatar  
   • All Healthcare Facilities/ focal points in the state of Qatar

Subject | Update on Circular (19/2020) Regarding the Registration/Licensing Policy for Healthcare Practitioners

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“The Department of Healthcare Professions presents to you its compliments”

In alignment with circular no. (01/2016), circular no. (11/2018) and circular No. (19/2020) regarding the registration and licensing of healthcare practitioners of Qatar Universities graduates, Qatari, offspring of Qatari women or offspring of residents* who studied abroad, the Department of Healthcare Professions has decided the following:

1. To work in governmental/ semi-governmental sectors:
   General Practitioners/ General Dentists/ Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners from the above-mentioned categories will be exempted from the required experience when applying for the registration/ licensing provided that they complete an internship period as per educational program requirements.

2. To work in the private Sector:
   ✓ General Practitioners from the above-mentioned categories: Please refer to circular No. (22/2020).
   ✓ General Dentists from the above-mentioned categories are required to complete two years of experience as Dental Trainee.
   ✓ Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners from the above-mentioned categories are required to complete a training period of one year under supervision of a licensed healthcare practitioner. A training letter will be issued from DHP prior commencing training.

- Points 1 and 2 applies on Spouses of residents for the following professions (Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners).
The following categories shall be treated as Qatari in terms of exemption from the Qualifying exam requirement for all professions:

- Qatar Universities Graduates
- Offspring of Qatari Women
- Offspring of residents of Qatar (DHP has the right to ask for any supporting documents during the evaluation process).

This circular shall repeal the previous circulars No. (01/2016), (11/2018) and (19/2020)

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Thank you for your cooperation, Department of Healthcare Profession
QID Holders under family sponsorship

Offspring of Qatari women & offspring of Qatar residents

Spouses of Qatar residents

The qualifying exam (Prometric) is required

General Practitioner/General Dentists

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental/private sector

Required 5 years of clinical experience as GP for registration/licensing as GP or 2 years of clinical experience as GD for registration/licensing as GD

If you have less than the required experience (5 years for GP or 2 years for GD), you can be registered/licensed as GP(supervised) or dental trainee

Pharmacists AHP

Nursing

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental sector

No experience is required for registration/licensing

In case you are willing to join the private sector

One year of clinical experience is required for registration/licensing, training will be required

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental sector

All Professions

In case you are willing to join the private sector

General Practitioner/General Dentists

Pharmacists AHP Nursing

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental sector

2 years of clinical experience as GP/GD is required for registration/licensing as GP/GD

If you have less than 2 years of clinical experience, you can be registered/licensed as GP(supervised) or dental trainee

If you have less than one year of clinical experience, training will be required

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental sector

No experience is required for registration/licensing

If you have less than one year of clinical experience, training will be required

In case you are willing to join the governmental/semi-governmental sector

All Professions

In case you are willing to join the private sector

General Practitioner/General Dentists

Pharmacists AHP Nursing

If you have less than one year of clinical experience, training will be required