



CIRCULAR NO. (15/2022)

From	:	Department of Healthcare Professions / Ministry of Public Health
To	:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Healthcare Practitioners in the State of Qatar• All Healthcare Facilities/ focal points in the state of Qatar
Subject	:	Update on Circular (24/2020) Regarding the Registration/Licensing Policy for Healthcare Practitioners
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"Greeting from the Department of Healthcare Professions"

In alignment with circular no. (01/2016), circular no. (11/2018), circular No. (19/2020) and circular No. (24/2020) regarding the registration and licensing of healthcare practitioners of **Qatar Universities graduates, Qataris, offspring of Qatari women or offspring of residents**, 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 are required to complete two years of experience. If they have less than two years, please refer to circular No. (22/2020).
- **General Dentists** from the above-mentioned categories are required to complete two years of experience. If they have less than two years, please refer to circular No. (12/2021).
- **Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners** from the above-mentioned categories (**Except for Qatar Universities graduates**) are required to have licensed clinical work experience in their scope of practice for one year OR undergo training under supervision for the same duration after obtaining the required approval from DHP.

3. **Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners** who are Graduates of Universities in Qatar to work in:

- Private Hospitals: they are exempted from work experience requirement.
- Other health facilities in the private sector: they are required to have licensed clinical work experience in their scope of practice for six (6) months or undergo training under supervision for the same duration after obtaining the required approval from DHP.

4. **The following categories** shall be treated as Qataris in terms of exemption from the Qualifying exam requirement for all professions:

- Qatar Universities Graduates
- Offspring of Qatari Women
- Offspring of residents of Qatar that includes the below:
 - Offspring of Residents who changed their sponsorship to their husbands (Valid QID of the father shall be submitted in the evaluation application).
 - Offspring of Residents who changed his/her sponsorship to a healthcare facility (Valid QID of the father shall be submitted in the evaluation application).

Notes:

- Points 1 and 2 applies on Spouses of residents for the following professions (Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners).
- All Clinical psychologists and psychological counselors are not included under this circular.

This circular would be effective in the issuance date and shall repeal the previous circulars No. (01/2016), (11/2018), (19/2020) and (24/2020).

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Thank you for your cooperation, Department of Healthcare Professions

