



SINGAPORE DENTAL COUNCIL

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Division I Dentists

SINGAPORE DENTAL COUNCIL ELECTION 2018

The term of office for the incumbent members of the Singapore Dental Council will expire at the end of April 2018. As such, election of Council members will be held from Wednesday, 4 April 2018 to Tuesday, 10 April 2018.

2 All Full Registration Division I Dentists will be required to elect five members to the Council. The Minister of Health will appoint another five Division I Dentists, one Division II Dentist and a minimum of one Oral Health Therapist to form the new Council. They will assume office on 1 May 2018.

3 As there are five vacancies, you may propose or second not more than five candidates. The person you nominate must consent to be a candidate in this election.

4 Your kind attention is drawn to Section 7* of the Dental Registration Act (Chapter 76) (the "Act"), stating who may **NOT** qualify as a member of the Council. If you intend to run as a candidate in this election, you should familiarize yourself with the relevant provisions of the Act and the Dental Registration Regulations. Parts of the Act pertaining to the elections and to the Council are reproduced at the next page for reference.

5 Nominations close at **5pm on Friday, 2 March 2018**. You may hand in your Nomination Forms at Council's office at **81 Kim Keat Road, #09-00, NKF Centre, Singapore 328836**. Alternatively, you may send the same by recorded delivery or registered mail (**NOT by normal mail**). Submissions of nominations by email or fax will be deemed invalid.

6 In preparation for the upcoming election, please ensure that you have set up your SingPass and 2FA for the online voting process.

**DR CHNG CHAI KIAT
RETURNING OFFICER
SDC ELECTION 2018**

* Disqualifications for membership of Council

7. No person shall be a member of the Council if —

- (a) he is not a citizen or a permanent resident of Singapore;
- (b) he is not a registered dentist or registered oral health therapist;
- (c) he is an undischarged bankrupt;
- (d) he has been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence involving fraud or dishonesty, or implying a defect in character which makes him unfit for his profession;
- (e) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of any improper act or conduct which brings disrepute to his profession;
- (f) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of professional misconduct; or
- (g) his fitness to practise dentistry is judged by the Health Committee to be impaired by reason of his physical or mental condition.

DENTAL REGISTRATION ACT (CHAPTER 76)

Establishment of Dental Council

3. – (2) The Council shall consist of –

- (a) the Chief Dental Officer;
 - (b) the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry of the National University of Singapore;
 - (c) 3 registered dentists, to be appointed by the Minister, whose names appear in the first division of the Register of Dentists and who are practising in Singapore;
 - (d) one registered dentist, to be appointed by the Minister, whose name appears in the second division of the Register of Dentists and who is practising in Singapore;
 - (e) at least one but not more than 3 registered oral health therapists, to be appointed by the Minister, whose names appear in the Register of Oral Health Therapists and who are practising in Singapore; and
 - (f) 5 members to be elected by registered dentists whose names appear in the first division of the Register of Dentists and who are practising in Singapore.
- (4) Only registered dentists whose names appear in the first division of the Register of Dentists and who have at least 10 years' experience in the practice of dentistry may be elected as members of the Council.
- (5) The members shall hold office for a term of 3 years and shall be eligible for reappointment or re-election.
- (6) The Minister may, at any time, revoke the appointment of any member appointed under subsection (2)(c), (d) or (e) without assigning any reason.

Functions of Council

4. The functions of the Council are –

- (a) to approve or reject applications for registration as a dentist or an oral health therapist under this Act or to approve any such application subject to such conditions as it may think fit;
- (b) to issue certificates of registration and practising certificates to registered dentists and registered oral health therapists;
- (c) to make recommendations to the appropriate authorities on the courses of instructions and examinations leading to a degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery in the National University of Singapore;
- (d) to make recommendations to the appropriate authorities for the training and education of registered dentists and registered oral health therapists;
- (e) to determine and regulate the conduct and ethics of registered dentists and registered oral health therapists;
- (ea) to provide administrative services to other statutory boards responsible for the regulation of healthcare professionals; and
- (f) generally to do all such acts, matters and things as are necessary to be carried out, or which the Council is authorised to carry out, under this Act.

Disqualification for membership of Council

7. No person shall be a member of the Council if –

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- (b) he is not a registered dentist or registered oral health therapist;
- (c) he is an undischarged bankrupt;
- (d) he has been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence involving fraud or dishonesty, or implying a defect in character which makes him unfit for his profession;
- (e) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of any improper act or conduct which brings disrepute to his profession;
- (f) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of professional misconduct; or
- (g) his fitness to practice dentistry is judged by the Health Committee to be impaired by reason of his physical or mental condition.

Filling of vacancies

8. —(1) The office of a member of the Council shall become vacant if the member –

- (a) dies;
 - (b) resigns his office;
 - (c) is incapacitated by physical or mental illness;
 - (d) becomes subject to any of the disqualifications specified in section 7;
 - (e) without any good and sufficient reason, refuses to accept an appointment as a member of a Disciplinary Committee or the Health Committee; or
 - (f) being a member appointed by the Minister under section 3(2)(c), (d) or (e), has his appointment revoked before the expiry of his term of office.
- (2) The Council may, with the approval of the Minister, remove from office any member of the Council who is absent without leave of the Council from 3 consecutive meetings of –
- (a) the Council; or
 - (b) a Disciplinary Committee, or the Health Committee, of which he is a member.

**SDC ELECTION 2018
NOMINATION FORM**

To:

The Returning Officer
SDC Election 2018
Singapore Dental Council
81 Kim Keat Road
#09-00 NKF Centre
Singapore 328836

**Nomination closes at
5pm on Friday, 2 March 2018**

**Submit your nomination by hand,
recorded delivery or registered mail.
Nominations received by email or fax
are deemed invalid.**

NOMINEE	Name in full (in block letters)	
	NRIC No	
	DCR No	
	I hereby declare that I am not disqualified for membership of the Singapore Dental Council under Section 7 of the Dental Registration Act: <small>*Disqualification for membership of Council 7. No person shall be a member of the Council if – (a) he is not a citizen or permanent resident of Singapore; (b) he is not a registered dentist or registered oral health therapist; (c) he is an undischarged bankrupt; (d) he has been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence involving fraud or dishonesty, or implying a defect in character which makes him unfit for his profession; (e) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of any improper act or conduct which brings disrepute to his profession; (f) he has been found guilty in Singapore or elsewhere of professional misconduct; or (g) his fitness to practice dentistry is judged by the Health Committee to be impaired by reason of his physical or mental condition.</small>	
	Signature	
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PROPOSER	Name in full (in block letters)	
	NRIC No	
	DCR No	
	Signature	
SECONDER	Name in full (in block letters)	
	NRIC No	
	DCR No	
	Signature	

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

1. Submit a CV and a "message to colleagues". The suggested format is on the next page. Do not exceed two A4 pages. Submit it as printed pages or as a computer file (in Acrobat .pdf format). The Council is unable to provide secretarial assistance in this matter.
2. If you are submitting printed pages, be mindful that it may not turn out well when scanned.
3. The election manifesto (CV and message) will be provided to all dentists who are eligible to vote
4. **Deadline for submission of CV and message is 5pm on Friday, 2 March 2018.**

Information on the Candidate

Name :

Age & Gender:

Professional Qualifications:

Field of Practice:

Place of Practice:

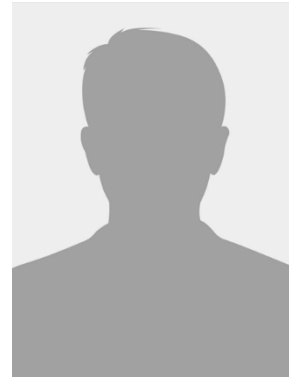
Professional / Academic Appointments:

Office held in Professional Organisations:

Office held in Other Organisations:

Honours and Awards:

Message to colleagues:



This template is only a suggestion. Candidates may use any format.

This election manifesto will be provided to dentists who are eligible to vote. Your submission will also be posted on the Dental Council's website at <http://www.sdc.gov.sg>

Each candidate is limited to two A4 pages. Please ensure that all the information and material provided is accurate as the secretariat will only reproduce material and will not be responsible for the text.

Submissions may be printed pages or computer file in Adobe .pdf format. If you are submitting printed pages, be mindful that it may not turn out well when scanned.

Deadline for the submission is 5pm on Friday, 2 March 2018.