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To: All Registered Dentists under Conditional Registration

A REMINDER AND CONDITIONS FOR DENTISTS UNDER CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION


I would like to draw your attention to the following conditions under Conditional Registration:

- **Supervision of dentists under Conditional Registration**

Please be reminded that, as per section 14A(4)¹ of the Dental Registration Act, dentists registered under Conditional Registration are required to work under supervision of a fully registered dentist in a particular employment approved by the Council for a specified period (equivalent to 2-year full-time* working hours).

**Full-time working hours is defined as working not less than 35 hours a week*

Council has mandated that the supervisor must work in the same clinic as his/her supervisee.

- **Maximum of TWO(2) registered practice addresses during Conditional Registration** 

With effect from 1 Nov 2015, Conditional Registrants are only allowed to work in a maximum of two practice addresses when under Conditional Registration. This is to ensure patient safety and proper supervision of all conditional registered dentists, including those working in group practices.

¹ Conditional registration

14A. (4) Without prejudice to the power of the Council to impose conditions, the direction may specify —
(a) that the person shall work for a specified period under the supervision of a fully registered dentist approved by the Council; and

(b) the particular employment or the descriptions of employment for the purposes of which he is registered under this section.

- **Mandatory Update of Residential or Practice Address**

All dental professionals are reminded to update their residential or practice address with the Council via online PRS as soon as possible. Your prompt update is essential as it will facilitate the pairing of supervisor for your supervision requirement.

As per section 13 (7)² of the Dental Registration Act, Any person who fails to comply with subsection (4)³ shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1000.

- **Only allowed to work with valid practising certificate**

As per sections 22 and 28⁴ of the Dental Registration Act, it is an offence for dental practitioners to work without a valid practising certificate. The first time offender shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$25,000.

Your compliance to the above-mentioned conditions is required.

Yours sincerely,

Clin A/Prof Patrick Tseng
Registrar

(This is a computer-generated notice which requires no signature)

² Section 13(7) Any person who fails to comply with subsection (4) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

³ Section 13(4) Every person whose name is entered in any of the registers shall inform the Registrar in writing of any change in his practice address or residential address within 28 days thereof, except that a person who makes a report of a change in his residential address under section 8 of the National Registration Act (Cap. 201) shall be deemed to have complied with this subsection on the date on which he makes the report.

⁴ Sections 22 and 28 - **Prohibition of practice of dentistry**

22. —(1) Subject to sections 60 and 61, no person shall practise dentistry in Singapore unless he is a registered dentist and has a practising certificate in force.

General penalty

28. Any person who is guilty of an offence under section 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 or 27 shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$25,000 and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction for an offence under any of those sections, to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.