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Dear OHTs

## **MANDATORY CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPE) REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL OF PRACTISING CERTIFICATE**

Please be informed section 15I(1)<sup>1</sup> of the Dentists Regulations states that Council may refuse to renew the practising certificate if the registered dental practitioner fails to fulfil the requisite CPE requirements.

As such, for OHTs who failed to attain the required CPE points by 30 Sept 2012 (end of Qualifying Period for CPE), they would not be allowed to renew their practising certificate which is due to expire on 31 Dec 2012.

For OHTs who have met the CPE requirements, you are encouraged to renew your practising certificate at the earliest possible date. Your attention is drawn to section 15G(1)<sup>2</sup> of Dentists Regulations which stipulated a penalty fee of **\$20** if payment of your renewal fee is not received by 30 Nov 2012 and **\$50** will be imposed if payment is not received after 31 Dec 2012.

**It is important to take note of section 28<sup>3</sup> of the Dental Registration Act which states that it is an offence for dental practitioner to work without a valid practising certificate. The first time offender shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$25,000.**

Should you have any query, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Stella Goh at 6355-2401.

Thank you.

Sincerely

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Chairman of CPE Committee

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<sup>1</sup> **Grant or renewal of practising certificate subject to obtaining continuing professional education points**

**15I.**—(1) For the purposes of sections 17 (6) and 21E (6) of the Act, the Council may refuse to grant a practising certificate to a registered person or renew his practising certificate, if he fails to satisfy the Council that he has obtained the requisite continuing professional education points.

<sup>2</sup> **Additional fee for late application**

**15G.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), where an application for a practising certificate under section 17 or 21E of the Act is made — (a) less than one month before the expiry of the practising certificate; or (b) after the expiry of the practising certificate,

the appropriate fee specified in the Second Schedule in addition to the fee payable under regulation 15F shall accompany and be payable in respect of that application.

<sup>3</sup> **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.