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**REVISION TO LIST OF OVERSEAS MEDICAL SCHOOLS FOR  
REGISTRATION TO PRACTISE IN SINGAPORE**

To meet the changing healthcare needs of Singaporeans, and to ensure that the quality of overseas-trained doctors practising in Singapore remains high, the list of registrable basic medical qualifications under the Medical Registration Act is reviewed from time to time. The Singapore Medical Council (SMC) has reviewed the list, and proposed that the number of overseas medical schools with registrable basic medical qualifications be reduced from 160 to 103, effective on 1 January 2020. The Ministry of Health (MOH) has accepted SMC's recommendation.

2. The revised list of overseas medical schools with registrable basic medical qualifications can be found in the **Annex**. Please refer to SMC's website at [www.smc.gov.sg](http://www.smc.gov.sg) for the revised List of Registrable Basic Medical Qualifications from these overseas medical schools.

3. Singapore Citizen and Singapore Permanent Resident students who have already secured a place as a candidate in a medical programme from a school that is no longer on the list, or who are studying in the affected schools before 1 January 2020, will not be affected by the change. They will be considered for medical registration with SMC if they fulfil the prevailing requirements, subject to an offer of employment with an SMC-approved healthcare institution upon their graduation.

4. In line with MOH's Healthcare Manpower Plan to provide quality healthcare services for Singaporeans, we have been growing our local healthcare training pipelines and building a strong local core to meet the healthcare needs of our ageing population. Total annual intakes into our local medical schools have risen from about 300 in 2010 to about 500 in 2018 from the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine at the National University of Singapore, Duke-NUS Medical School and the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine at the Nanyang Technological University.<sup>1</sup> The impact of the increase in local medical school intake will be fully realised from 2023, when these students graduate. As such, we expect our need to recruit overseas-trained doctors to moderate and stabilise in the coming years.

5. The review of the list of registrable basic medical qualifications also took into consideration various factors including international and national rankings of these universities, as well as performance of conditionally registered doctors from these

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<sup>1</sup> The Duke-NUS Medical School was set up in 2005, while the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine was set up in 2013.

universities, to ensure that the quality of overseas-trained doctors practising in Singapore locally remains high.

6. SMC will continue to review the list regularly based on the evolving needs of Singapore's healthcare system while upholding high standards of medical practice.

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**List of overseas medical schools with registrable basic medical qualifications  
(from 1 Jan 2020)**

<b>Country / Region</b>	<b>Body Granting Qualifications</b>
Australia	The University of Adelaide Faculty of Health Sciences
	The University of Melbourne Melbourne Medical School
	Monash University Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences
	University of New South Wales Faculty of Medicine
	The University of Queensland School of Medicine
	The University of Sydney Sydney Medical School
	The University of Western Australia Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences
	Australian National University ANU Medical School
Austria	Medizinische Universität Wien
Belgium	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Faculteit Geneeskunde
Canada	University of British Columbia Faculty of Medicine
	McGill University Faculty of Medicine
	McMaster University Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine
	University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine
	University of Alberta Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry
	Université de Montréal Faculté de Médecine
	University of Calgary Cumming School of Medicine
Denmark	Aarhus Universitet Det Sundhedsvidenskabelige Fakultet
Finland	University of Helsinki

<b>Country / Region</b>	<b>Body Granting Qualifications</b>
	Faculty of Medicine
France	Sorbonne University Faculty of Medicine
Germany	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg Medizinische Fakultät Heidelberg
	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München Medizinische Fakultät
	Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, People's Republic of China	The Chinese University of Hong Kong Faculty of Medicine
	The University of Hong Kong Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine
India	All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
	Christian Medical College, Vellore
Ireland	The University of Dublin, Trinity College Dublin, School of Medicine
Japan	The University of Tokyo Faculty of Medicine
	Kyoto University Faculty of Medicine
	Osaka University Faculty of Medicine
Malaysia	Universiti Malaya (Kuala Lumpur) Faculty of Medicine
	Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur) Faculty of Medicine
Netherlands	Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam Erasmus Medisch Medical Centre (Erasmus MC)
	Utrecht University Faculty of Medicine – UMC Utrecht
	University of Amsterdam, Academic Medical Centre (AMC)
	Leiden University, Leiden University Medical Centre (LUMC)
New Zealand	The University of Auckland Faculty of Medicine and Health Science
	University of Otago

Country / Region	Body Granting Qualifications
	Faculty of Medicine
People's Republic of China	Peking University Health Science Centre (PUHSC)
	Fudan University Shanghai Medical College
	Tsinghua University Peking Union Medical College (PUMC)
	Shanghai Jiao Tong University School of Medicine
South Korea	Seoul National University College of Medicine
	Yonsei University College of Medicine (Seoul)
Spain	Universidad de Barcelona Facultad de Medicina
Sweden	Karolinska Institutet
	Uppsala Universitet Medicinska Fakulteten
	Lunds Universitet Medicinska Fakulteten
Switzerland	Universität Zürich Medizinische Fakultät
	Université de Genève Faculté de Médecine
	Universität Basel Medizinische Fakultät
	Universität Bern Medizinische Fakultät
Taiwan	National Taiwan University College of Medicine (Taipei)
United Kingdom	University of Birmingham School of Medicine
	University of Bristol Bristol Medical School
	University of Cambridge School of Clinical Medicine
	University of Dundee School of Medicine
	The University of Edinburgh Edinburgh Medical School
	University of Glasgow School of Medicine

Country / Region	Body Granting Qualifications
	University of Leicester School of Medicine
	University of Liverpool School of Medicine
	Kings College London GKT School of Medical Education
	Queen Mary University of London Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry
	University College London UCL Medical School
	St. George's University of London St. George's Hospital Medical School
	The University of Manchester Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health
	University of Nottingham School of Medicine
	University of Oxford Medical Sciences Division
	The University of Sheffield Medical School
	University of Southampton Faculty of Medicine
	Imperial College London School of Medicine
	Cardiff University School of Medicine
United States of America	Baylor College of Medicine
	University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine
	University of California, San Diego School of Medicine
	University of California San Francisco School of Medicine
	University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine
	Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons
	Weill Cornell Medicine
	Duke University School of Medicine

Country / Region	Body Granting Qualifications
	Emory University School of Medicine
	Harvard Medical School
	Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
	Mayo Clinic School of Medicine
	University of Michigan Medical School (Ann Arbor)
	University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine
	University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine
	Stanford University School of Medicine
	Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
	University of Washington School of Medicine (Seattle)
	Washington University in St Louis School of Medicine
	Yale School of Medicine
	University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health (Madison)
	Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
	Boston University School of Medicine
	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine
	Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
	Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth
	New York University School of Medicine
	The Ohio State University College of Medicine
	Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California
	The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University