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To: All Registered Allied Health Professionals and Human Resource Personnel

### **REMOVAL OF NAMES FROM FULL AND RESTRICTED REGISTER**

The Allied Health Professions Council (AHPC) would like to inform that with effect from 4 November 2019 (Monday), names of registered allied health professionals (AHPs) who did not renew their practising certificate (PCs) for a period of **two years or more** will be removed from the Registers of Allied Health Professionals with Full or Restricted Registration.

2 Pursuant to Section 15(2) of the Allied Health Professions Act, “The Registrar may remove from the appropriate register the name of a person who has not renewed his practising certificate for a continuous period of not less than two years.”

3 All affected registered AHPs will receive a notice from AHPC on the removal of their names from the Register and will be given one month to submit reasons to remain on the Register. If these registered AHPs do not reply AHPC by one month, their names will be removed from the Register. The AHPs whose names have been removed will have to surrender their Registration Certificate to the AHPC within 14 days upon removal of their names.

4 Please be further informed of the following:

- a) Pursuant to Section 3 of the AHP Act, a person must be registered and hold a valid practising certificate before he can be considered a duly qualified allied health professional;
- b) It is an offence under Section 29(1) of the AHP Act for a person who is not a duly qualified allied health professional to do any of the following:
  - i. Wilfully and falsely pretend to be a duly qualified health professional; or
  - ii. Practise any prescribed allied health profession or a branch thereof, under the style or title of an allied health professional from a prescribed allied health profession or under any name, title, addition or description implying that he holds any diploma, degree or qualification in a prescribed allied health profession or in a branch thereof; or
  - iii. Take or use any name or title set out in the second column of the Second Schedule, or any other word in any language having the same meaning or being to the like intent; or

- iv. Take or use any name, title, sign, uniform, badge, or any other addition or description implying, whether in itself or in the circumstances in which it is used, that he is qualified to practise a prescribed allied health profession or a branch thereof; or
- v. Advertise or hold himself out as an allied health professional from a prescribed allied health profession; and

4 AHPs whose names are removed, who wish to return to practice as an allied health professional in Singapore, may submit a new application for registration and incur fresh registration fees. The new applications for registration are subject to prevailing registration and supervision requirements (i.e. Supervised Practice Guidelines 2014).

***FOR MORE INFORMATION***

5 For more information, please write to [enquiries@ahpc.gov.sg](mailto:enquiries@ahpc.gov.sg).

Thank you.

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