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To All Allied Health Professionals

TEMPORARY REGISTRATION FOR REGULATED ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ON SHORT-TERM/AD-HOC ENGAGEMENTS

The Allied Health Professions Council (AHPC) is a professional board under the Ministry of Health which governs and regulates the professional conduct and ethics of registered allied health professionals, in accordance to the Allied Health Professions Act 2011. The AHPC's functions include the registration and issuing of practising certificates to registered allied health professionals, setting of standards for training, conduct and practice; as well as to maintain the Register of Allied Health Professionals in Singapore. The allied health professions that are regulated under the Allied Health Professions Act 2011 are Diagnostic Radiographers, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Speech-Language Therapists and Radiation Therapists.

2 It has come to the AHPC's attention that practitioners of allied health professions have been engaged by sports associations and organisations for ad-hoc, short-term events. The AHPC notes that a number of these practitioners may be practising their respective professions or bearing their respective titles without registering with the AHPC.

3 This notice informs you that all practitioners of regulated allied health professions must be registered with the AHPC before practising in Singapore.

4 You are 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.

5 More information regarding registration may be found on the AHPC's [website](#). For registration applications for short-term visits, please refer to the section on [Temporary Registration \(Visiting Expert\)](#).

Thank you.



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