

## Invitation to rerve on the Professional Conduct Committees of the Health Professions Council of South Africa

The Health Professions Council of South Africa hereby invites applications from suitably qualified and interested persons to serve on its Professional Conduct Committees in terms of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974). This invited is extended to persons who are currently registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

Interested persons are specifically invited to serve on the professional conduct committees of the following professional boards: Medical and Dental Professions Board; Professional Board for Dental Therapy and Oral Hygiene; Professional Board for Emergency Care; Professional Board for Dietetics and Nutrition; Professional Board for Environmental Health Practitioners; Professional Board for Psychology; Professional Board for Occupational Therapy, Medical Orthotics, and Prosthetics; Professional Board for Medical Technology; Professional Board for Radiography and Clinical Technology; Professional Board for Optometry and Dispensing Opticians; Professional Board for Physiotherapy, Podiatry, and Biokinetics; and Professional Board for Speech Language and Hearing Professions.

Successful applicants will be remunerated in accordance with the fee structure determined by the Health Professions Council of South Africa. Successful applicants will be enrolled on the panel of the Professional Conduct Committee from the date of enrolment and for an indefinite period. Successful applicants will be bound by the provisions of the Health Professions Act, 1974, the relevant regulations made in terms of the Health Professions Act, 1974, the charter of councilors, and policies and directives of the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

## **Exclusions**

No person shall be eligible for appointment and enrolment in the panel of members of the Professional Conduct Committees if -

- (a) he or she is not registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa;
- (b) he or she is not a South African citizen or is not permanently resident in South Africa;

- (c) he or she has entered into a composition with the creditors of his or her estate, or whose estate has been sequestrated;
- (d) he or she is disqualified under the Act from practising his or her profession;
- he or she has been found guilty of improper or disgraceful conduct at an inquiry held under Chapter IV of the Health Professions Act, 1974;
- (f) he or she is a patient as defined in section 1 of the Mental Health Care Act, 2002 (Act No. 17 of 2002);
- (g) he or she has been convicted of an offence in respect whereof he or she was sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine or in the case of fraud, a fine or imprisonment;
- (h) he or she is a member of a municipal council, provincial legislature or parliament; or
- (i) he or she is a provincial or national office bearer or employee of any party, organization or body of a political nature.

## **Responsibilities of the Professional Conduct Committee**

A Professional Conduct Committee has the power to institute an inquiry into any complaint, charge or allegation of unprofessional conduct against any person registered under the Health Professions Act, 1974, and, on finding such person guilty of such conduct, to impose any of the penalties prescribed in section 42(1) of the Health Professions Act, 1974.

A Professional Conduct Committee is responsible for the enforcement of discipline amongst the health practitioners registered in terms of the Health Professions Act, 1974.

## **Application Procedure**

Applications must be submitted in writing and must contain the following: Detailed Curriculum Vitae, motivation for appointment, copies of the identity document, and copies of the qualifications obtained by the applicant. Correspondence will be limited to successful applicants.

Applications, marked for the attention of Ms. P Raseawelo, must be:

(a) e-mailed to the Health Professions Council of South Africa at: appealsandpcc@hpcsa.co.za

(b) Enquiries: Ms P Raseawelo at 012 338 9356