

# MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE 1971

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No. 31 of 1971

## An Ordinance to amend the *Medical Practitioners Registration Ordinance 1935-1967*

[Assented to 16 June, 1971]

**B**E it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Medical Practitioners Registration Ordinance 1971*. Short title  
and citation

(2.) The *Medical Practitioners Registration Ordinance 1935-1967* is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the *Medical Practitioners Registration Ordinance 1935-1971*.

2. The Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting sections 22 and 23 and inserting in their stead the following new sections:—

“22. A person who—

(a) holds the degree of Bachelor of Medicine, the degree of Bachelor of Surgery, or an equivalent degree of a university in the Commonwealth that is authorized to grant the degree; or

(b) holds a degree, diploma, licence, letters, certificate, testimonial or other title or document granted in a place outside the Commonwealth—

(i) that entitles him to practise medicine or surgery in that place; or

(ii) the holder of which is recognized by the law of that place as having attained a sufficiently high standard of training and skill in medicine or surgery to be permitted to practise medicine or surgery in that place,

may apply to the Board for registration as a medical practitioner.

Application for  
registration

**Registration**

“23.—(1.) Subject to the next succeeding sub-section, where the Board is satisfied that a person who has applied for registration as a medical practitioner—

- (a) is a person referred to in the last preceding section;
- (b) has not been removed from the register of medical practitioners or of persons entitled to practise medicine or surgery in a State or Territory of the Commonwealth or in another country for any cause that would disqualify him from being registered under this Ordinance;
- (c) is of good character; and
- (d) is not suffering from any mental or physical disability that would prevent him from practising medicine or surgery efficiently,

the Board shall—

- (e) if it is satisfied that he is to be employed by the Commonwealth on full time duties as a medical practitioner, without fee; or
- (f) in any other case, upon payment of the prescribed fee,

register that person as a medical practitioner.

“(2.) The Board shall not register a person who holds a qualification of a kind referred to in paragraph (b) of the last preceding section but does not hold a degree referred to in paragraph (a) of that section unless—

- (a) the standard of training and skill the attainment of which entitled the person to the qualification is, in the opinion of the Board, equal to the standard of training and skill required to be attained by a candidate for such a degree; and
  - (b) the Board is satisfied, whether by examination of the person or otherwise, that he has attained a sufficiently high standard of skill in medicine or surgery to be permitted to practise as a medical practitioner.”.
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