



REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL

Any Medical or Dental professional who wishes to practice in the Cook Islands must be registered with the Medical and Dental Council as stipulated in the Medical and Dental Practice Act 1976.

Process:

1. Applicant to complete the registration application form;
2. Applicant to provide the following compulsory documents with the application form:
 - a. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
 - b. Copy of qualifications
 - c. Copy of registration and annual practising license from country of current practice; (if the registration certificate is not available, the registration number must be provided or a recent letter of good standing from applicants Council in country of practice);
3. The forms and attachments must be sent to the Secretary of the Medical and Dental Council (mareta.jacob@cookislands.gov.ck) or the Registrar (temarama.anguna@cookislands.gov.ck).
4. Applicant to pay one-off registration fee of NZ\$50 and the annual practising license fee of NZ\$50 to the Secretary of the Council or Registrar;
5. If the applicant does not want to practice, they must still pay the registration fee;
6. Secretary to receipt funds received and provide receipt to applicant;
7. Secretary to record applicants details in the Medical and Dental Council database and allocate a registration number;
8. Secretary to prepare the registration and annual practising certificate for the medical or dental professional;
9. Medical or dental students intending to undertake their internship in the Cook Islands must provide their CV and intended date of internship and pay the fee of NZ\$100.

The exception to the above process of application and payment of fees are the Specialists under the Health Specialists Visits scheme and medical professionals providing locum cover.

For Medical and Dental Professionals who fall under the Health Specialist Visits scheme, the HSV Coordinator will provide copies of CV, registration and practising licenses for the record.

Note: This certificate is correct at the time of issue. If there are any concerns, please contact the Secretary of the Cook Islands Medical & Dental Council at m.jacob@health.gov.ck or Registrar at m.anguna@health.gov.ck or phone +682 29664.