

Restoration

Restoration of name to the Register

Suspension based on a formal request to be suspended from the register or due to non-payment of annual fees:

- Voluntary Erasure is in terms of Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974) Section 19 (1)(c)
- Suspension due to non-payment of annual fee is in terms Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974 Section 19 (1)(d)

A. Restoration after Removal or Suspension of name from the register for a period of two years

If a practitioner's name was removed from the register or his or her registration suspended for a period of two years or less – irrespective of whether he or she practiced or not - the restoration application will be dealt with administratively subject to submission of the following:

- Completion of required restoration Form 18
- Payment of the applicable fees and any other outstanding fees

The Board reserves the right to institute disciplinary action against practitioners who had practiced their profession in South Africa without being registered.

B. Restoration after Removal or Suspension of name from the register for a period of more than two years – (Practicing)

A practitioner whose name has been erased from the register and **had been practising** for a period of more than two years will be required to:

- Duly completed application for restoration form (Form 18) and applicable Restoration Fees
- Payment of the applicable fees and any other outstanding fees
- Proof of practising their profession – CV or letter from the previous employer confirming employment with dates specified.
- COS (Recent certificate of good status from the country where he/she has practised) not older than 3 months.
- Proof of CPD attended to during preceding 24 months.

C. Restoration after Removal or Suspension of name from the register for a period of more than two years – (non-practicing)

A practitioner whose name has been erased from the register and had not been practising for a period of more than two years will be required to work under supervision in an HPCSA accredited laboratory for a period equivalent to **six months** (1000 hours) the following procedure would apply:

- Complete Restoration Form 18.
- Payment of restoration fees and any other fees outstanding.
- The applicant be restored in terms of supervised practice immediately on submission of the application form (Form 18, Form 18A, Form 18C, Form 18D) and payment of penalty fees.
- They must work under supervision of a registered Medical Technologist at an approved laboratory, for a period of at least six (6) months.
- The supervisor should on completion of the period of 6 months, submit a progress report with a recommendation as to the lifting of restrictions or a further period of supervised practice.
- The progress report will be considered by the Professional Board or Education Committee.

During the period of supervised practice, the applicant will not be allowed to be self-employed or practising in his or her own private practice.

Upon receipt of a positive supervisory report or portfolio by the supervisor to the satisfaction of the Education Subcommittee, his or her name will be restored to the category of registration that applied prior to the erasure of his or her name from the register.

SUMMARY OF PROCESS

The supervisee will be required to identify and request a suitable supervisor to oversee him or her during the period of supervised practice. For this purpose, a signed undertaking would have to be obtained from the supervisor agreeing to undertake the supervision. On completion of six months' supervised practice, the supervisor will be required to complete and submit the Supervisor Evaluation Report. The findings presented in this report will be reviewed by the Education Committee. If the Committee is satisfied by the recommendation of the supervisor, the practitioner will be registered in the category in which the applicant was previously registered.

In cases where the Education committee remains unconvinced that the practitioner is ready for independent practice, the supervisor will be expected to extend the period for a further six months stating reasons.