

Update on Peak Registrations Period

The Registrations Team would like to extend its gratitude to all practitioners and institutions that supported the offsite registrations period that took place from 22 November until 24 December 2021. It was not always easy for practitioners specially to get time off to visit the registration site and walk out with a registration certificate within a reasonable time because of huge applicant turnout at some sites. The Registrations Team apologizes for the delays experienced thereat. Working hours for staff were long, yet staff still endured to the end. Staff at the office ensured applications dropped off at the office were processed within a 2-day turnaround time. The Registrations Management is grateful to staff for the commitment shown, both offsite and at Council offices.

Outlined below are some points to take note as the Registrations Team endeavours to attend to applications for registrations as and when received.

- Applications from graduates completing degree programs at universities are usually processed in bulk – any graduates' applications not yet processed, will still be processed as and when received at Council offices – average turnaround time for those individual compliant applications is 7 working days.
- Graduates in diagnostic optometry and in environmental health practice are registered only after the respective boards pronounce that the Work Integrated Learning met the set requirements. The Registrations Team is unable to process such registrations before the board pronounces. The Team will however endeavour to process the compliant applications within the 7 working-days of receipt.
- Cuban trained medical graduates wishing to register in the category of internship will be registered with effect from 1 January 2022 as most of their applications were received between 28 December and 3 January 2022 but could not be processed all at once. The Registrations Team is targeting to complete registrations for this group, no later than 10th January 2022. It is important to highlight that applications in respect of graduates from Walter Sisulu University have not yet been received at Council.
- Medical interns who completed training rotations on 31 December 2021 have a responsibility to individually submit a compliant application with no alterations on Form 10A-1 and 10A-2 to Council. Registration into community service is processed with effect from the date the application is received at Council and will not be backdated to 1 January 2022.
- Applicants who submitted registration applications at the Wits University venue may still collect their registration packs from Wits University, same site where applications were dropped off. Collection is however, from 2nd Floor in the same building - Phillip Tobias Building.
- Log books for internship training will be dispatched to Intern Curators latest 30 January 2022.

Queries may be channelled through Call Centre Agents on 012 338 9300/1 or an email sent to info@hpcsa.co.za

Regards

Registrations Team