
MEDIA STATEMENT

THE HPCSA HOSTS ITS FIRST-EVER NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2019

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Pretoria – The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) will be hosting its first-ever National Conference from 18 - 20 August 2019 at the Emperor’s Palace, Kempton Park, Gauteng.

The theme for the Conference is “**Regulating the Health Professionals in the 21st Century**” with a focus on the role of the regulator in Universal Health Coverage as well as looking at the Regulators’ contribution towards advocating for good health and well-being.

The Conference will attract delegates from the various disciplines within the health fraternity, including health practitioners, students and interns in the health environment, the Department of Health, representatives of health regulatory bodies in South Africa and abroad, associations and societies, academia, representatives of medical schemes, government agencies involved in medical workforce and regulation, opinion leaders, health commentators and the media (both locally and internationally).

There has been a number of emerging trends within the healthcare environment such as digital innovation, technological advancement, shortage of resources, financial viability, the role of education and training systems in preparing health practitioners for future, ethical engagement in the digital era, and others and the Conference is intended to provide practical solutions to these.

The diverse programme involving both local and international speakers will include interactive sessions that focus on the emerging gaps in the current regulatory framework in relation to universal health coverage and the impact of the current ethical rules in the delivery of universal health coverage to ensure a sustainable healthcare system.

The Conference will also feature the inaugural HPCSA Health Merit Awards to acknowledge fellow colleagues who have contributed immensely in assisting the HPCSA to deliver on its mandate.

Those wishing to attend as conference delegates should register through the official registration portal at www.hpcsaconference.co.za

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About the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) also known as Council is a statutory body established under the Health Professions Act 56 of 1974. The HPCSA is committed to protecting the public and guiding the professions. The mission of the HPCSA is quality and equitable healthcare for all.

The HPCSA is mandated to regulate the health professions in the country in aspects pertaining to education, training and registration, professional conduct and ethical behaviour, ensuring Continuing Professional Development (CPD), and fostering compliance with healthcare standards.

In order to safeguard the public and guiding the professions, registration in terms of the Act is a prerequisite for practising any of the health professions registrable with Council.

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