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## Media Statement

### UNREGISTERED PRACTITIONER ARRESTED IN KZN, TONGAAT

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**For immediate release**

**Pretoria** – The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) continues to execute on its mandate to eradicate unregistered practitioners in the healthcare sector.

The Inspectorate office in the KwaZulu Natal province conducted an inspection today, Friday, 20 September 2019 at the Victoria Medi-Clinic in Tongaat. The inspection emanates from a complaint that was lodged against Dr Parvis Partab. Upon investigation, it was discovered that Dr Partab is practising whilst not registered with the HPCSA. The practice manager, at the Victoria Medi-Clinic confirmed that the practitioner was employed as a locum casualty doctor, since October 2018.

Dr Partab does not appear on the register of registered medical practitioners. She was registered with Council in the category postgraduate study, in terms of regulation 2 (6) of regulations relating to registration of persons who hold qualifications not prescribed for registration, which empowers the Registrar to register a foreign qualified person in the category postgraduate study in any of the professions registered under the act, if such a person is to be enrolled for post graduate study and research as the holder of an appointment that is of a temporary and supernumerary nature for a period of a year not exceeding and extended upon application supported by the Dean of the Faculty.

Dr Parvis Partab was registered with effect from 01 February 2006 until 31 December 2009 when her registration expired.

The HPCSA's mandate is to protect the public and guide the professions through ensuring enforcement and compliance from the practitioners in line with the provisions of the Health Professions Act.

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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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