

Dear Valued Practitioner

The HPCSA **registration** and **annual fees** for 2019/20 have been published. Practitioners are reminded to settle fees before 1 April 2019 using one of the following **payment methods**. Registered practitioners are invited to the inaugural **HPCSA National Conference** hosted 18 – 21 August 2019 at the Emperor’s Palace in Gauteng.

The importance of maintaining the integrity of the healthcare professions cannot be overstated. Council is investigating **contentious contractual relationships** and advises on key **areas of compliance** to uphold the standard and reputation of practicing healthcare professions.

As always, we welcome **your feedback** on issues of concern and topics covered in this newsletter.

Best wishes

The HPCSA Team

HPCSA annual fees

Annual fees form part of the registration requirement with the HPCSA – a prerequisite for professional practice. The fees for 2019/20 are payable to the HPCSA by 1 April and valid until 31 March of the following year. [Read more](#)

Contractual relationships under investigation

The Professional Board for Optometry and Dispensing Opticians are investigating the contractual relationships between practitioners and a service provider not registered under the Health Professions Act. [Read more](#)



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Guidance on obtaining consent of patients

It has come to the HPCSA’s attention that there are differing views around the matter of consent for the release patient treatment records to medical schemes as contained in the Health Professions Act in August 2017. Council wishes to clarify the following issues around patient consent as applicable to the Act.

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