

Dear Valued Practitioner

As we bid farewell to 2019 (and the decade), HPCSA Registrar/CEO Dr Bila sends a special **festive message** of thanks and hope to healthcare practitioners. The current term of office for the Professional Boards expires on 30 June 2020, and the Council has initiated the process for **nominating candidates** to serve as new members. Completed **nomination forms** must reach the Returning Officer by no later than 16h30 on 6 February 2020. See the information below for more on the **nomination process**.

Please be advised that HPCSA office doors will be closed for the holidays at 11:30 on Tuesday 24 December 2019 and re-open at 08:00 on Friday 27 December 2019.

Best festive wishes

The HPCSA Corporate Affairs Team



The current term of office for the Professional Boards expires on 30 June 2020.

In terms of the **Health Professions Act 56 of 1974**, Section 15 (5) (a) states that: *"The Professional Boards of the HPCSA are established in terms of section 15(1) of the Act, and the objects thereof are outlined in section 15A of the Act. Section 15 (5) (a) of the Health Professions Act 56 of 1974 (as amended), states that the Regulations relating to the constitution, functions and functioning of a professional board shall at least provide for the appointment of the members of a professional board by the Minister on the basis of nominations made by the members of the health profession or professions involved"*.

The **Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)** therefore **invites nominations** from candidates to serve as members of the HPCSA Professional Boards. All persons registered with the HPCSA are invited to submit nominations of members of their Professional Boards to be appointed by the **Minister of Health** to serve on the respective Boards for a period of five (5) years.

Information about the Nominations

Terms of eligibility and nomination forms can be accessed and downloaded from www.hpcsa.co.za or www.eisa.org.za.

The Service Provider

The HPCSA has appointed an independent company, **Electoral Institute for Sustainable Democracy in Africa, (EISA)**, to manage the process for nominations on its behalf. This means all nomination forms must be sent to EISA directly and all queries relating to nominations will be handled by EISA.

Any nomination form which does not comply with the regulations relating to the nomination and appointment of members of the Professional Boards or which is not received by the aforesaid date and time at the address, fax number or email address given below, will be deemed invalid.

NB: EISA's Offices will be closed from 20 December 2019 and will reopen on 7 January 2020. During this time practitioners **WILL NOT BE** able to call the EISA toll-free line or hand-deliver nomination forms to EISA's Physical Address. Nominations sent by fax and emails will be dealt with on 7 January 2020.

Completed Nomination forms and supporting documents

Practitioners may submit their nominations in the following ways:

- Hand Delivery: 14 Park Road, Richmond, 2092
- Postal address: PO BOX 740, Auckland Park, 2006
- Email: hpcsa@eisa.org.za
- Fax: 086 529 5254
- Whatsapp: 063 392 7978
- EISA: 0800 11 43 73

Completed nomination forms must reach the Returning Officer at the address, fax number or email address below by no later than **16h30 on 6 February 2020**.

Should practitioners require further assistance, please feel free to contact the Electoral Institute of South Africa (EISA), the organization appointed to handle the nominations process.

The Returning Officer, Ms Crystal Africa, will be reachable on the following contacts:

- Toll-free number 0800 11 43 73
- WhatsApp 063 392 7978
- Email hpcsa@eisa.org.za between 08h30 and 16h30 weekdays