

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF THE PROFESSION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

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The Minister of National Health has, in terms of [section 33](#)(1) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), on the recommendation of the South African Medical and Dental Council, made the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

1. The following acts are hereby specified as acts which shall for the purposes of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Services Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), be deemed to be acts pertaining to the profession of occupational therapy, namely those acts which have as their aim the evaluation, improvement or maintenance of the health, development, functional performance and self-assertion of those in whom these are impaired or at risk, through the prescription and guidance of the patient's or client's participation in normal activities, together with the application of appropriate techniques preceding or during participation in normal activities which facilitate such participation.
2. For the purposes of regulation 1 “normal activities” shall include those activities performed by healthy children and adults in the course of their play, work, social activities, recreation, domestic activities and personal care.
3. The regulations promulgated by Government Notice R.2291 of 3 December 1976, as amended by Government Notice R. 1834 of 16 December 1977 and R.446 of 10 March 1978 are hereby withdrawn.