



South African
Pharmacy Council

SAPC e-Note



SAPC Professional Advisory: RECORDING OF IMMUNISATION AND INJECTION TECHNIQUES COURSES AND VALIDITY OF CERTAIN COURSES

Dear Pharmacy Professional,

UPDATE TO PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY ISSUED ON 6 OCTOBER 2022

The South African Pharmacy Council (hereafter "Council") published the accreditation criteria for Immunisation and Injection Techniques courses through Board Notice 241 of 2022, following collaboration and consultation with providers of pharmacy education and the profession at large. A Professional Advisory regarding these courses was sent to the profession on 6 October 2022 and is available to view on our website (https://www.sapc.za.org/NE_RegisteredPersons).

Further to the previous advisory, the deadline for pharmacists to complete unaccredited courses for the purposes of recording such with Council **has been extended to 30 December 2022**. As such, we wish to advise the profession that pharmacists already enrolled with providers of immunisation and injection techniques courses not registered/accredited with Council have until **30 December 2022** to complete such courses/certificates, in order for their courses/certificates to be accepted for recording with Council.

For courses completed on or after **01 January 2023**, Council will only accept Immunisation and Injection Techniques supplementary training certificates issued by accredited providers of the Immunisation and Injection Techniques course for recording, to enable registered persons to apply for Section 22A(15) permits.

Please note that, as at 31 October 2022, the following providers are accredited with Council to offer the Immunisation and Injection Techniques course:

- Nelson Mandela University; and
- Health Science Academy

If you intend to enrol for Immunisation and Injection Techniques course, we advise you to use the above two accredited providers.

The process for recording a supplementary training certificate remains unchanged; i.e., certificates from accredited providers should first be recorded with Council, once Council issues a recording certificate the pharmacist may then apply to the Director-General for a Section 22A(15) permit, and once the Director-General issues the permit, the pharmacist must then record such permit with Council.

Yours sincerely,

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