

PRESS STATEMENT

MALAYSIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL

NON-MALAYSIAN PRACTITIONERS PRACTICING WITHOUT FULL REGISTRATION OR ANNUAL PRACTISING CERTIFICATE (APC)

Malaysian Medical Council (MMC) has received applications for full registration from non-Malaysian practitioners who have been practicing medicine in local and private universities or medical institutions in Malaysia, without having valid full registration and/or annual practising certificate (APC) with MMC.

MMC in its 418th meeting dated 24 May 2022 has discussed this issue and agreed on the following actions:

- A. The following shall apply to applications for full registration and/or Annual Practising Certificate (APC) by non-Malaysians, submitted on or before 31.12.2022:
 - i. Applications for full registration under Section 14(2A) or 14(3) of the Medical Act 1971 (Amendment 2012), from practitioners who have practiced medicine in Malaysia without an Annual Practising Certificate (APC) for a period of less than six (6) years consecutively, will be considered by the Council, and the Council shall further issue a warning letter to the practitioner and institution concerned.

- ii. Applications for full registration under Section 14(2A) or 14(3) of the Medical Act 1971 (Amendment 2012), from practitioners who have practiced medicine in Malaysia without full registration for a period of six (6) years and above consecutively, shall not be considered by the Council.
- iii. Applications for APCs from practitioners who have practiced medicine in Malaysia without APCs for a period of six (6) years and above consecutively, shall not be considered by the Council.
- B. Commencing 01 January 2023, all applications for full registration under 14(2A) or 14(3) of the Medical Act 1971 (Amendment 2012), from non-Malaysian practitioners who have practiced medicine in Malaysia without full registration and/or without APCs, shall no longer be considered by the Council.

Therefore, all universities and medical institutions in Malaysia are required to take appropriate actions to ensure all medical practitioners under their institution to have valid full registration and annual practising certificates with MMC. Failure to comply with this requirement is an offence according to Medical Act 1971 (Amendment 2012) and MMC will not be held responsible for any issues that may arise later.

Thank you.

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