

# **MALAYSIAN MEDICAL REGISTER**

The Medical Act states that there shall be a Malaysian Medical Register of which the primary objective is to provide the public accurate and current information about the registration status, qualifications, and other information of all registered medical practitioners in Malaysia.

## **Who should be registered?**

1. Qualified medical practitioners shall be registered if they have any direct contact with patients or advise or prescribe or provide treatment or opinion about any individual's physical or mental health.
2. Qualified medical practitioners whose roles do not include direct clinical contact with patients or patient care shall be registered when their work impacts on the delivery of health care to individuals and/or
  - a) they are directing or supervising or advising other medical or health practitioners, about the health care of an individual; and/or
  - b) their employer and/or their employer's professional indemnity organization requires a person in that role to be registered; and/or
  - c) they are required to be registered under any law to undertake any specific health or medical activity, either physically and/or virtually; and/or
  - d) they are doing clinical research which involves physical and/or virtual contact with patients including collections of samples.
3. Qualified medical practitioners who teach in a clinical specialty shall be registered with the Malaysian Medical Council.

## **Who may not need to be registered?**

Qualified medical practitioners engaging in the following activities do not necessarily require registration if they are:

- a) Examiners or assessors of medical students or medical graduates when the student or graduate is not treating patients as part of the assessment.
- b) Researchers whose work does not include any human subjects or is not involved in collecting samples directly from human subjects.
- c) Person serving on a board or committee or body, where their appointment is not dependent on their status as a "registered medical practitioner".

- d) Medical practitioners who are registered in another jurisdiction and are visiting for any role not involving treatment or giving of opinions about the physical or mental health of any individual(s).
- e) Medical practitioner who teaches in a non-clinical specialty and does not have direct or indirect contact with human subjects, patient information or specimens arising from and/or involving patient management.

## **Clarifications and advice**

1. Clarifications shall be sought from the Council in situations for which there are no provisions in this document.

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