

PRESS COMMUNIQUE
Medical Council of Mauritius

CLINICAL TRAINING UNDERTAKEN BY MEDICAL STUDENTS

Medical universities worldwide have an established programme of studies leading to the award of a basic degree in medicine (eg MBBS). Such programmes include, as an integral part, two (2) broad areas of study, namely the teaching of basic medical sciences in the initial years of the course, followed by a compulsory clinical training in a teaching hospital affiliated to the university where the students are registered. The clinical training is always imparted by tutors/professors who are specialists in various fields of medicine, and are assigned the responsibility by the concerned university to coach its students.

The Medical Council of Mauritius has noted recently that certain students opt to undertake either part or the entire of their clinical training in hospitals which are **not** affiliated to the university where they have undergone their studies in basic medical sciences. In such circumstance, their clinical training is deficient and raises concern about the medical degree awarded by their university.

The Medical Council **strongly advises** all medical students to comply with the above requirement and to complete their medical courses according to the established programme/syllabus of the university where they have been enrolled. This should include clinical training in a teaching hospital affiliated to the university.

Any departure from this practice may result into refusal by the Medical Council of Mauritius to grant recognition of their basic medical degree/diploma for the purpose of giving provisional registration as Pre Registration Trainee under the Medical Council Act.

When applying for registration, candidates should produce documentary evidence that they have complied with the above requirements.

Registrar
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