

MEMO

TO : ALL INTERNS
DATE : 27TH JUNE 2001
SUBJECT : ADVISORY TO NEW APPLICANTS

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The Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago wishes to advise applicants for Provisional Registration of the following:-

1. Only persons holding a degree from a recognized university may be allowed to engage in medical practice.
2. In the case of UWI graduates, the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago will grant Provisional Registration to such persons in instances where the degree has not yet been granted, but where the office of the Dean has notified the Secretary of the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago that the applicant has been successful in the final M.B.,B.S. examination **AND** that the degree will be granted.
3. Applicants will be required to present to the Secretary of the Board the **ORIGINAL** degree (also a photocopy) for verification **within fourteen (14) days** of receipt of the degree, failing which the officer must cease immediately the practice of medicine.
4. Where the period for presentation of the degree to the Board has lapsed, such persons would be required to re-apply to the Board for Provisional Registration to continue to practise.
5. In circumstances, whereby persons holding Provisional Registration have not been successful in the final M.B.,B.S. examination or the degree has not been conferred then such persons shall immediately cease the practice of medicine and shall immediately notify the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago.
6. Medical officers are reminded that a breach of the above would be in violation of the Medical Board Act (1960) and such persons would be subject to the penalties as proscribed in the said Act.
7. A physician who wishes to continue practising immediately after the completion of the Provisional Registration period must complete the Full Registration process (see enclosed details) **within fourteen (14) days** of the end of the internship period, failing which such persons shall cease practice immediately. i.e. The Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago will allow a person to practise for fourteen (14) days beyond the Provisional Registration to allow persons to regularise their status with the Board.

On completion of the internship period, applicant is required to furnish this office with the following:-

1. **Pre-registration forms:**

- (a) signed by each **Consultant**;
- (b) stamped and signed by the **Medical Chief of Staff** of assigned institution(s);
- (c) stamped and signed by the **Chief Medical Officer**, Ministry of Health;
- (d) stamped and signed by the **Dean**, the University of the West Indies (UWI)/ medical school.

2. **Bank Draft or Personal Cheque** with valid Bank Card of **\$2,000.00** made payable to the **MEDICAL BOARD OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**.

This amount represents Full Registration Licence (**\$1,000.00**) and (**\$1,000.00**) A.R.F. to practise for the current year. – **NB: THIS PROCEDURE IS ONLY APPLICABLE TO GRADUATES WHO ARE ENTITLED TO AUTOMATIC FULL REGISTRATION AFTER INTERNSHIP PERIOD E.G. GRADUATES OF UWI.**

PLEASE note that without **ALL** of the above, files will not be complete and therefore will not be entertained by Council until such time that everything is in order.

Kindly try and avoid delays.

BY ORDER OF COUNCIL