



# MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL OF NIGERIA

## PUBLIC NOTICE



### **A. RENEWAL OF ANNUAL PRACTISING LICENCE**

The Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria hereby reminds ALL MEDICAL, DENTAL AND REGISTERED ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE PRACTITIONERS AND ALL EMPLOYERS OF DOCTORS that the Medical and Dental Practitioners Act Cap M8 Laws of the federation 2004 requires that all doctors pay their practising fees before 31st December of the preceding year to obtain practising licence for the ensuing year. Failure to comply with this requirement is a contravention of the Law for which the doctor concerned and his employer would be liable to prosecution.

In compliance with the Law, all doctors are expected to have paid for their 2011 practising licence on or before 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2010. Those who fail to do so will be subjected to the penalty for the licensing stipulated in the extant regulations among other sanctions.

Doctors can pay their practising fees through their State Monitoring Committees which are currently based in the Office of the Director of Medical Services of their respective states or directly to the office of the Council nearest to them. Payments must be by Bank Certified Cheques, payable to the **Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria** drawn from any Bank confirmed to be currently in the Central Bank of Nigeria Clearing House.

### **The Practising fees currently payable by all doctors for renewal are as follows:**

(1) House Officers	N6,000.00
(2) Doctors of less than ten (10) years post qualification	N6,000.00
(3) Doctors of ten (10) years and above post qualification	N10,000.00
(4) Doctors on the Limited Register (Temporary Registration) - N20,000.00 (2yrs.)	
(5) Alternative Medicine Practitioners (Already Registered)	N10,000.00
(6) Doctors aged 70 years and above who are in good standing at their 70 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	Exempted

### **(B) TEMPORARY (LIMITED) REGISTRATION/RENEWAL**

All Expatriate Doctors working or desiring to work in Nigeria as well as their employers or those wishing to employ them, are hereby reminded that it is a contravention of the Law for an expatriate doctor to work in any capacity, whether for fee or not, anywhere within the territories of the Federal Republic of Nigeria without having obtained Registration and Licence from the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria. This requirement is not waived even when the doctor is to work in Nigeria for only a few days or as a free service.

The attention of the various State Governments and all Ministries of Health, as well as the Private Sector including NGOs is hereby drawn to this Law. Expatriate doctors who continue to flout the Law and persons who aid and abet them are liable to prosecution. Fee for temporary registration is N25,100 plus 2 years practising fees of N20,000.00 totalling N45,100.00.

The doctor is also required to pay a Development Levy of N3,000.00 and to obtain copies of Guidelines on Registration and Code of Medical Ethics in Nigeria (Rules of Professional Conduct) both at a total cost of N3,000.00.

### **(C) ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION REGISTRATION**

Doctors who wish to apply for additional qualification registration are required to pay N15,100.00 plus a development levy of N3,000.00 and also to obtain copies of Guidelines on Registration and Code of Medical Ethics in Nigeria (Rules of Professional Conduct) both at a total cost of N3,000.00.

### **(D) FULL REGISTRATION**

All Doctors applying for full registration are expected to pay N10,000.00. They are also required to pay the practising licence fees for two (2) years plus a development levy of N3,000.00 and also to obtain copies of Guidelines on Registration and Code of Medical Ethics in Nigeria (Rules of Professional Conduct) both at a total cost of N3,000.00.

### **(E) PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION**

Doctors who wish to apply for provisional registration are expected to pay N5,000.00, practising licence fees for two(2) years, a development levy of N3,000.00 and obtain internship forms at the cost of N2,250.00. They are also to obtain copies of Guidelines on Registration and Code of Medical Ethics in Nigeria (Rules of Professional Conduct) both at a total cost of N3,000.00.

### **(F) VERIFICATION**

ECFMG/EICS	-	\$150 Cash/\$200 Draft
LETTER OF GOOD STANDING	-	N13,000.00
LOCAL VERIFICATION	-	N5,000.00
INTERNATIONAL VERIFICATION	-	\$150 Cash

**NOTE:** Failure to pay the practising fee before 31st December will attract a minimum penalty of double the Annual Fee apart from the likelihood of the defaulter being prosecuted. So also the employers of doctors whose penalties attract 10 times the fee to be paid by the defaulting doctor. Doctors can only renew practising licence two years in excess of the current practising year. **All fees are subject to review from time to time.**

For further information pls. Visit MDCN website at [www.mdcnigeria.org](http://www.mdcnigeria.org)

Pls note: All application forms can be downloaded from the Council's website

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