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GRENADA

ACT NO. 1 OF 2019**I assent,**

CÉCILE E. F. LA GRENADE

*Governor-General.**14th May, 2019.*

AN ACT to amend the Health Practitioners Act CAP. 132A.

[By Order].

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives and by the authority of the same as follows—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the—

HEALTH PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT,
2019.

Short title and
commencement.

and shall be read as one with the Health Practitioners Act, Chapter 132A, hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act”.

(2) This Act shall come into force on such date as may be appointed by the Minister by Order published in the *Gazette*.

Amendment
of section 2 of
principal Act.

2. Section 2 of the principal Act is amended as follows—

(a) in paragraph (e) by deleting the “full-stop” and substituting therefor a “semi-colon”;

(b) by inserting after paragraph (e) the following new paragraph—

“(f) to provide for the review and accreditation of medical doctor degree programmes in Grenada.”.

Amendment
of section 3 of
principal Act.

3. Section 3 of the principal Act is amended by inserting in the appropriate alphabetical order the following new definitions—

““accreditation” means the status of public recognition granted in accordance with Part IIA;”;

““accreditation decision” means an official decision of the Council in accordance with Part IIA with respect to the accreditation and review of a medical doctor degree programme, including decisions to grant, deny, withdraw or place conditions upon the accreditation of a medical doctor degree programme;”;

““medical doctor degree programme” means a programme to prepare students to receive their medical doctor degree and practise as physicians;”.

4. Section 7 of the principal Act is amended as follows—

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- (a) in paragraph (m) by deleting the word “and” after the “semi-colon”;
- (b) in paragraph (n) by deleting the “full-stop” and substituting therefor a “semi-colon” and the word “and”;
- (c) by inserting after paragraph (n) the following new paragraph—

“(o) to evaluate, accredit and monitor medical doctor degree programmes in Grenada.”.

5. Section 8 of the principal Act in subsection (2) is amended as follows—

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principal Act.

- (a) in the chapeau by inserting after the words “outside Grenada” the word “and”;
- (b) in paragraph (e) by deleting the word “and” after the “semi-colon”;
- (c) in paragraph (f) by deleting the “full-stop” and substituting therefor a “semi-colon”;
- (d) by inserting after paragraph (f) the following new paragraphs—

“(g) develop policies, standards and procedures to evaluate, accredit and monitor qualified medical doctor degree programmes; and

- (h) establish fees for programmes that apply for or seek to maintain accreditation status.”.

Amendment of section 10 of principal Act.

6. Section 10 of the principal Act is amended as follows—

- (a) in subsection (1) in the post-amble by inserting after the words “paragraphs (g) and (h)” the words “and (o)” and by inserting after the words “to another agency” the words “or entity”;
- (b) in subsection (2) as follows—
- (i) in paragraph (c) by deleting the word “or” after the “semi-colon”;
- (ii) in paragraph (d) by deleting the “full-stop” and substituting therefor a “semi-colon” and the word “or”;
- (iii) by inserting after paragraph (d) the following new paragraph—
- “(e) make accreditation decisions.”.

Amendment to section 26 of principal Act.

7. Section 26 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (3) as follows—

- (a) in paragraph (b) by deleting the word “or” after the “semi-colon”;
- (b) in paragraph (c) by deleting the “full-stop” and substituting therefor a “semi-colon” and the word “or”;

(c) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following new paragraph—

“(d) any accreditation decision by the Council with respect to a medical doctor degree programme.”.

8. The principal Act is amended by inserting after Part II the following new Part—

Insertion of new Part IIA to principal Act.

“PART IIA

ACCREDITATION OF MEDICAL PROGRAMMES

Prohibition on operating without accreditation.

52A.—(1) Unless the person or institution is accredited by the Council in respect of its medical doctor degree programme in accordance with this Act, no person or institution shall—

- (a) advertise, or continue to advertise, or in any manner hold itself out to the public as an institution offering a medical doctor degree programme;
- (b) admit, or continue to admit students, or conduct courses or programmes of study leading to an award of a medical doctor degree programme; or
- (c) otherwise embark upon, or continue with, the delivery of services of a medical doctor degree programme.

(2) No person or institution shall continue to offer any medical doctor degree programme,

where the person or institution's accreditation has been revoked.

Power of Council to accredit medical doctor degree programmes.

52B.—(1) Without limiting the power conferred under section 8, the Council shall have the power to—

- (a) develop and modify the standards, procedures and policies used to evaluate and accredit qualified medical doctor degree programmes;
- (b) make final decisions with respect to the accreditation of medical doctor degree programmes and the imposition of sanctions or conditions upon, or change in the status of, any accredited programme;
- (c) determine and collect fees from any medical education programme that applies for accreditation or seeks to maintain accreditation from the Council; and
- (d) to do all things necessary or convenient to be done in connection with the performance of its functions.

(2) Nothing in this Part shall give the Council authority to review, evaluate, monitor or approve other programmes offered by an

institution that seeks or obtains accreditation of its medical doctor degree programme.

Application for accreditation.

52C. An institution seeking from the Council, accreditation in respect of its medical doctor degree programme shall submit its application and related documents under procedures officially adopted by the Council, and shall be evaluated under such standards as the Council may determine.”.

Passed by the House of Representatives this 8th day of March, 2019.

ANDREW AUGUSTINE
Clerk to the House of Representatives (Ag.).

Passed by the Senate this 21st day of March, 2019.

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