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NURSES AND MIDWIVES ACT (CHAPTER 209)

NURSES AND MIDWIVES (COVID-19 VACCINATORS) REGULATIONS 2021

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

Regulation

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 44 of the Nurses and Midwives Act, the Singapore Nursing Board, with the approval of the Minister for Health, makes the following Regulations:

Citation

1. These Regulations are the Nurses and Midwives (COVID-19 Vaccinators) Regulations 2021.

Definitions

- 2. In these Regulations
 - "COVID-19 vaccination" means an intramuscular injection to introduce a vaccine into the body of an individual for the purpose of providing the individual protection against COVID-19;
 - "designated vaccination centre" means any place, premises or conveyance approved by the Director of Medical Services for the administration of COVID-19 vaccinations for or on behalf of the Government;

- "national serviceman" has the meaning given by section 2 of the Enlistment Act (Cap. 93);
- "paramedic" means a person who has any of the following qualifications:
 - (a) an Emergency Medical Services Specialist Certification from the Singapore Armed Forces Medical Training Institute or the Civil Defence Academy;
 - (b) a Higher National Institute of Technical Education Certificate in Paramedic and Emergency Care;
 - (c) a certification as a Primary Care Paramedic from the Justice Institute of British Columbia Paramedic Academy;
 - (*d*) a Diploma or an Advanced Diploma in Paramedicine issued by a local tertiary institution;

"trained vaccinator" means any of the following persons who is certified to have passed a vaccinator training course and the competency assessment conducted at the designated vaccination centre:

- (a) a person who was registered or enrolled under the Act but whose registration or enrolment has been cancelled only by reason of any of the grounds specified in section 19(1)(g) of the Act;
- (b) a person lawfully resident in Singapore who has completed an accredited course of nursing, or who is undergoing an accredited course of nursing and has completed training in carrying out an intramuscular injection;
- (c) a person who is registered under the Medical Registration Act (Cap. 174) but does not hold a valid practising certificate granted under that Act;
- (d) a person lawfully resident in Singapore enrolled in a course of study that leads to the conferment of a qualification specified in the First or Second

Schedule to the Medical Registration Act and who has started clinical training;

- (e) a person who is registered under section 16 or 17 of the Allied Health Professions Act (Cap. 6B);
- (f) a person who is registered under section 14 or 14A of the Dental Registration Act (Cap. 76) and holds a valid practising certificate granted under that Act;
- (g) a person who is registered under section 16 of the Pharmacists Registration Act (Cap. 230) and holds a valid practising certificate granted under that Act;
- (*h*) a paramedic;
- (*i*) a national serviceman who has completed the Emergency Medical Technician Course or an equivalent course, conducted by the Singapore Armed Forces or the Singapore Civil Defence Force;
- (j) a person who
 - (i) is duly authorised or registered to practise as a nurse in a state or territory other than Singapore by a foreign authority having the function conferred by law of authorising or registering persons to practise as a nurse in that state or territory; and
 - (ii) has at least one year's experience working as an authorised or a registered nurse in a healthcare institution in that state or territory;
- "vaccinator training course" means a COVID-19 vaccinator training course conducted by any of the following providers:
 - (a) the National University of Singapore, Alice Lee Centre of Nursing Studies;
 - (b) the Nanyang Polytechnic;
 - (c) the Ngee Ann Polytechnic;
 - (*d*) the Parkway College of Nursing and Allied Health Pte Ltd.

Persons who may carry out COVID-19 vaccinations

3.—(1) For the purposes of section 27(6)(c) of the Act, section 27(1) of the Act does not apply to a trained vaccinator who carries out a COVID-19 vaccination at a designated vaccination centre, under the supervision of a medical practitioner.

(2) For the purposes of section 28(4)(c) of the Act, section 28(1) of the Act does not apply to the employment or engagement of a trained vaccinator to carry out a COVID-19 vaccination at a designated vaccination centre, under the supervision of a medical practitioner.

Made on 22 March 2021.

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