

Notice on the Issuance of the Administrative Measures for Registration for Medical Professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region Practicing in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin

Bureaus of the Executive Committee:

The Administrative Measures for Registration for Medical Professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region Practicing in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin have been deliberated and approved at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin, and are hereby issued to you. Please implement them carefully. If you encounter any problems during the implementation, please report them directly to the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone.

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Administrative Measures for the Registration of Medical Professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region Practicing in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin

Article 1

Purpose

In order to implement the Regulations on the Administration of Medical Professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region Practicing in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin (hereinafter referred to as the "Practice Regulations"), and to regulate the administration of the registration of medical professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region (hereinafter referred to as Macao) practicing in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin (hereinafter referred to as the Cooperation Zone), these Measures have been formulated in light of the actual situation of the Cooperation Zone.

Article 2

Objects of application

Medical professionals from Macao who apply to practice in the Cooperation Zone shall meet the conditions prescribed in the Practice Regulations and apply to the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone in accordance with these Measures. After registering and obtaining a Certificate for Medical Professionals from the Macao Special Administrative Region to Practice in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin (hereinafter referred to as "Practicing Certificate"), they may provide medical services within the Cooperation Zone in conformity with their Macao certificates of qualification.

Medical professionals from Macao who have obtained a Practicing Certificate shall apply to the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone and submit the relevant materials in accordance with these Measures when applying for renewal, change, practice at multiple institutions, a replacement of a lost Practicing Certificate, cancellation or other related matters.

Article 3

Application materials for registration

To apply for initial registration, a medical professional from Macao shall submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Practice in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of his/her valid Macao resident identity card;
- (3) A copy of his/her certificate of qualification as a medical professional of Macao;
- (4) A health certificate issued within the last six months;
- (5) Certificate of criminal record of Macao;
- (6) Proof of qualification for having engaged in relevant practice in Macao for at least two years;
- (7) A copy of the employment contract signed with the medical institution in the Cooperation Zone;
- (8) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

If the applicant already holds a valid license to practice as a medical professional in Macao at the time of application, he/she may be exempted from submitting materials (3), (4) and (5);

If the applicant is the person in charge of a TCM clinic set up by a service supplier in Macao, he/she may be exempted from submitting material (7).

Article 4

Application materials for renewal

A medical professional from Macao who needs to continue his/her practice after the expiration of the validity period of his/her practice registration in the Cooperation Zone shall apply for renewal within 30 days before the expiration of the validity period and submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Practice in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of the employment contract signed with the medical institution in the Cooperation Zone;
- (3) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

If the applicant is the person in charge of a TCM clinic set up by a service supplier in Macao, he/she may be exempted from submitting material (2).

Article 5

Application materials for changing the category or scope of practice

To apply to change the category or scope of practice, a registered medical professional from Macao shall submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Change Practice/Practice At Multiple Institutions in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) Certificate of qualification as a medical professional of Macao;
- (3) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

Article 6

Application materials for leaving one institution for another

To apply to leave one institution for another, a registered medical professional from Macao shall submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Change Practice/Practice At Multiple Institutions in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of the employment contract signed with the new institution where he/she intends to practice;
- (3) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

Article 7

Application materials for practicing at multiple institutions

To apply to practice at multiple institutions, a registered medical professional from Macao shall submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Change Practice/Practice At Multiple Institutions in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of the employment contract(s) signed with the medical institution(s) in the new location(s) where he/she intends to practice;
- (3) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

Article 8

Application materials for a replacement of a lost Practicing Certificate

To apply for a replacement of his/her lost Practicing Certificate, a registered medical professional from Macao shall submit the following application materials:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Replace His/Her Lost Certificate for Medical Professionals from Macao to Practice in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of his/her valid Macao resident identity card;
- (3) Declaration of loss;
- (4) Two recently taken 2x2-inch bareheaded color ID photos.

Article 9

Application materials for cancellation

A registered medical professional from Macao who intends to terminate his/her

practice in a medical institution in the Cooperation Zone may apply to the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone for cancellation of his/her practicing certificate, and shall submit the application materials that meet the requirements:

- (1) Application Form for A Medical Professional from Macao to Cancel His/Her Practice in the Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin;
- (2) A copy of his/her valid Macao resident identity card;

Article 10

Procedures

The Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall be responsible for the implementation of these Measures, and the main procedures are as follows:

(1) Application:

(a) The applicant submits the application materials in accordance with these Measures at the office window of the Health Department of the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone. The application may be accepted even if any of the non-core materials, namely application materials other than those specified in Article 3 (1), (2), (5) and (7) is missing or flawed, but the applicant shall submit the missing or corrected material within 20 days, failing which the application shall be deemed to have been abandoned;

(b) When applying for renewal, change, practice at multiple institutions or cancellation, a medical professional from Macao shall return the original Practicing Certificate;

(c) If the applicant entrusts another person to handle the application, the applicant shall submit a letter of authorization and a copy of the identity certificate of the entrusted person;

(d) The Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone may, according to the actual review situation, require the applicant to submit the original for verification or provide other supporting materials.

(2) Acceptance:

The Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall conduct a preliminary review of the application materials, and if the application does not meet the acceptance criteria, it shall not be accepted and the reasons therefor shall be given; if the application is incomplete, the applicant will be given a one-time notification informing him/her as to what additional materials are required to complete the application, and the applicant must provide the additional materials within the specified time; if the application meets the acceptance criteria and is complete, it shall be accepted.

(3) Approval:

(a) For applicants who meet the requirements, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall grant registration and issue a Practicing Certificate within 20 days from the date of acceptance of the application. The registration shall be valid for the duration of the employment of the medical professional from Macao, up to a maximum of three years

(b) For the applicant's application for renewal, change, practice at multiple

institutions or replacement, the above procedures shall apply mutatis mutandis, and if the requirements are met, a new Practicing Certificate shall be issued.

Article 11

Cancellation

If a registered medical professional from Macao falls under any of the following circumstances, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall cancel his/her Practicing Certificate:

(1) The medical professional from Macao applies for cancellation for personal reasons;

(2) The employment relationship with the employing medical institution has been terminated, or the record of the TCM clinic set up by the registrant in the Cooperation Zone has been cancelled;

(3) The medical professional from Macao is unfit to continue to practice because of a health condition

(4) The medical professional from Macao is deceased or declared missing or has lost capacity for civil conduct.

Under the circumstances described in subparagraphs (2), (3) and (4) above, the medical institution employing the medical professional from Macao shall notify the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone within 30 days.

Article 12

Revocation

If a registered medical professional from Macao falls under any of the following circumstances, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall revoke his/her Practicing Certificate:

(1) The medical professional from Macao has his/her certificate of qualification as a medical professional of Macao revoked by the Macao Medical Academy Specialties Council;

(2) Providing false materials or obtaining the Practicing Certificate by fraud, bribery or any other improper means.

If a medical professional from Macao has his/her Practicing Certificate revoked, the Practicing Certificate shall become invalid from the date of revocation. The medical professional from Macao shall return the original Practicing Certificate within five days.

If a medical professional from Macao has his/her Practicing Certificate revoked, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall no longer accept any registration application from him/her within three years from the date of revocation, except in the case of voluntary application for cancellation of the certificate of qualification as a medical professional of Macao.

Article 13

Legal liability

Where a medical professional from Macao has violated any law, rule or regulation

in the course of providing medical services in the Cooperation Zone, punishment shall be imposed in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Doctors of the People's Republic of China, the Regulations on Nurses and/or the Regulations on the Administration of Medical Institutions.

If a medical professional from Macao has his/her Practicing Certificate suspended according to law, the Practicing Certificate shall become invalid from the date of suspension. The medical professional from Macao shall return the original Practicing Certificate within five days from the date of suspension of the Practicing Certificate.

If a medical professional from Macao has his/her Practicing Certificate suspended, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall no longer accept any registration application from him/her within two years from the date of suspension; if a medical professional from Macao has his/her Practicing Certificate suspended for any violation of professional ethics for physicians or the code of medical ethics that has caused a bad impact on society, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall no longer accept any registration application from him/her within five years from the date of suspension.

Article 14

Setting up a TCM clinic

A traditional Chinese medicine practitioner from Macao who has been engaged in clinical work in Macao for five years or more may apply to set up a TCM clinic in the Cooperation Zone in the form of a sole proprietorship or joint venture by submitting qualification documents proving his/her relevant work experience and practice as the person in charge of the clinic. After accepting the application, the Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall handle the application by applying *mutatis mutandis* provisions related to applying to run a TCM clinic.

Article 15

Publication

The Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall publish information concerning medical professionals from Macao such as registration, renewal, change, practice at multiple institutions and cancellation on the government affairs website of the Cooperation Zone.

Article 16

Power of interpretation

The Livelihood Affairs Bureau of the Cooperation Zone shall be responsible for the interpretation of these Measures.

Article 17

Effective period

These Measures shall become effective on August 1, 2023 and shall remain in effect for a period of five years.

This English translation is for reference purposes only. In the event of any discrepancy between the simplified Chinese original and this English translation, the simplified Chinese original shall prevail.

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