



COUNCIL OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF UGANDA

GUIDELINES FOR SUPERVISION AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PRACTICE (CoP) AND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE (AMC) FOR THE YEAR 2018

Introduction

Council is mandated under section 21 of the Pharmacy drugs act to secure the highest practicable standards in the practice of Pharmacy. For the purposes of discharging its functions it is further mandated to enact bye laws. In the council meeting held on the 06th of October council approved bye laws for issuance of certificates of practice.

All persons engaged in Pharmacy practice are therefore required to acquire a practicing certificate for their place of practice in each licensing cycle. For the avoidance of doubt, Pharmacists practicing in research institutions, industries, Pharmacies, health units, regulatory sectors including NDA, supply chain establishment, Non-governmental agencies with a Pharmaceutical component require a practicing certificate that must be renewed annually. This list is not exhaustive and includes any practice attributable to one's qualification as a pharmacist. Council will update this list from time to time to guide on Pharmacist practicing units and corresponding practicing certificate requirements as applicable.

As provided in section 21 of the PDA ,Council will regularly maintain and publish the register of Pharmacists engaged in Pharmacy practice .This register will bear names of persons to whom a certificate of practice has been issued and their practicing site. On a frequent basis it shall be shared with NDA to guide in its issuance of licenses and later on gazzetted.

The licensing cycle for the year 2018 commences on 6th November 2017 and runs till 20th December 2017. All certificates of practice must be renewed. As a means of improving the standards of practice of Pharmacists, the following guidelines are to be followed with regard to the issuance of Certificates of Practice for 2018. These guidelines provide a summary of the requirements for issuance of Annual Membership certificates (AMC), COP issuance and supervision in Pharmacist practice settings. Council shall further publish a list of Pharmacists as prescribed in section 21 of the Pharmacy and drugs act.

Application and Renewal of Membership to PSU

1. All PSU members are required to renew their membership by the 20th of December 2017.
2. Application for membership shall be done using the prescribed form.
3. Renewal of membership shall be one of the pre-requisites for one to be eligible to apply for a practicing certificate.