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Fees Payable to the Medical Council of New Zealand From 1 September 2015

Pursuant to sections 130 to 133 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Medical Council of New Zealand ("Council") gives notice that the following fees (GST excluded) are payable effective from **1 September 2015**:

Fees Schedule

A Registration Fees	\$	
For registration in a provisional general/general scope of practice:		
Application for provisional registration (NZ/Australian/NZREX graduate)	186.98	1, 2
Application for provisional registration (competent authority)	336.57	1
Application for provisional registration (comparable health system)	934.91	1
For registration in a provisional vocational / vocational scope of practice:		
Application for vocational registration (for those on a general scope of practice, who have been awarded the prescribed qualification)	186.98	1
Application for vocational registration (for those who are not registered in NZ, who have been awarded the prescribed qualification)	330.56	1
Application for vocational registration (for international medical graduates)	2,479.22	1
Assessment of documents by vocational education and advisory body	725.00	
Interview with vocational education and advisory body	2,628.00	
Re-evaluation by vocational education and advisory body	564.00	
Advice on supervisor/employment from vocational education and advisory body	83.00	
Vocational practice assessment	8,685.00	6
For registration in a special purpose scope of practice:		
SP Postgraduate training	602.60	1
SP Locum Tenens	330.56	1
SP Locum Teleradiology	330.56	1
SP Research	330.56	1
Other registration-related fees:		
Application to change existing scope or conditions	186.98	1
Restoration of registration	186.98	1, 2, 3

Application for certificate of good standing, letter of standing, certificate of registration, Saudi verification, confirmation of internship, licence verifications	124.08	1
B Practising Certificate (PC) or Interim Practising Certificate including Disciplinary Levy		
Annual PC fee	658.78	1, 4, 5
Application to vary existing PC	186.98	
C Disciplinary Levy - levy for 12 months	120.96	1
D New Zealand Registration Examination (NZREX Clinical)	3,358.90	
Review of decisions	199.37	1
Appeal of decisions	475.22	1
Withdrawal prior to, or on, the cut-off date for the specified exam	171.71	1
Withdrawal after the cut-off date for the specified exam (20% of exam fee)	671.78	1
E Vocational Scope of Practice/Recertification		
Vocational education and advisory body application for recognition of new vocational scope of practice	6,678.71	1
Application for assessment of an individual recertification programme for a vocational scope of practice	2,782.61	1
F Substance Screening Programme		
Administration charge only	1,378.55	7
G Sexual Misconduct Assessment		
Administration charge only	1,618.48	7
H Contribution to Educational Supervision Costs		
Administration charge only	2,162.90	7
I Educational - Pre-Vocational		
Accreditation of training provider	14,487.35	1
Approval of clinical attachments	115.53	1
Request for change in clinical attachment	28.29	1
J Certificate Signed by the Registrar		
Certificate of registered information	124.08	1
Certificate of good standing (or copy)	124.08	1
Any other document certifying registration status or standing	124.08	1
K Register		
Register for 12 months on disk or sent by email (updated monthly)	287.61	1
Register for 12 months downloaded from the Council's website	106.53	1
Register data requests - contact the Council office for information	106.53	1, 8

Dated at Wellington this 31st day of July 2015.

DAVID DUNBAR, Registrar, Medical Council of New Zealand.

Explanatory Note

Increase in fees

The increased fees shown follow consultation with the profession issued on 25 May 2015. The consultation process advised the medical practitioners and other stakeholders of the desire to ensure that there was greater transparency and equity across all fees charged by Council. The new methodology uses Activity Based Costing to ensure that cross-subsidisation amongst fees is minimised. The Council resolved on 15 July 2015, following consideration of submissions, to adopt the fees set out in this notice, with effect from 1 September 2015.

Increase on practising certificate fee (B above)

This increase follows consultation by the Council with all medical practitioners with current practising certificates, in accordance with Council's established practice of consulting on changes to prescribed fees. Medical practitioners and other stakeholder groups received notification on 11 June 2015 indicating a proposed increase of \$40.00 plus GST, providing an explanation of the proposed increase and inviting submissions. In the information provided to the medical practitioners, the Council noted:

- a. *Until the impact of the new fees structure is in place and Council has a true indication of income from any changes made, Council needs to be able to pay for the day-to-day activities of Council.*
- b. *Increases in the costs, particularly in relation to education, competence and conduct processes are significant.*

The Council resolved, on 24 July 2015, following consideration of submissions, to adopt an increase of \$40.00 plus GST in the practising certificate fee, with effect from 1 September 2015.

Key to Annotations

¹ Fee is not refundable.

² Fee may be waived for some categories.

³ Fee for doctors previously on the register generally returning from overseas, both general and vocational.

⁴ Reduced fee payable if the medical practitioner is registered within a provisional or special purpose scope of practice where the appointment is for less than six months. If appointments are for longer than six months, the PC fee will be charged on a pro rata basis to bring medical practitioners on to their PC cycle.

⁵ Fee includes a disciplinary levy of \$120.96 and may be charged on a pro rata basis to bring medical practitioners on to their PC cycle.

⁶ Fee is to take effect from 1 September 2015 and to apply to every doctor who obtains registration in the provisional scope of practice on or after 1 September 2015.

⁷ Services provided by external providers are on charged in full by the Council. A one-off administration fee is charged up front to cover the cost of Medical Council staff time and overheads.

⁸ Fee is per hour but may be adjusted depending on the nature of the query. Any disbursements will be recovered at cost.

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