

Nursing Act, 2005 (Act No. 33 of 2005)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL: 2008-2013

In terms of Section 5 of the Nursing Act, 2005, (Act No. 33 of 2005) (hereafter referred as the Act), 25 persons will be appointed by the Minister of Health to serve on the South African Nursing Council for a period of 5 years starting from June 2008. The 25 persons shall be appointed by the Minister on the basis of nominations made by interested parties after publication of this notice in the *Gazette* inviting nominations for new members and shall be as follows:

(i) According to section 5 (1)(a) of the Act:

14 professional nurses or midwives registered in terms of section 31 (1)(a) and (b) of the Act, and appointed by the Minister taking into account their expertise in Nursing Education, Nursing, Community Health, Primary Health Care, Occupational Health, Mental Health and Midwifery.

(ii) According to section 5 (1)(b)(viii) and (ix) of the Act:

- One person must be a staff nurse registered in terms of section 31(1)(c) of the Act
- One person must be an auxiliary nurse registered in terms of section 31(1)(d) of the Act

A person shall not be appointed as a member of the Council if he or she:-

- Is an unrehabilitated insolvent or if his or her creditors have accepted an offer of a composition made in terms of section 119 of the Insolvency Act, 1936 (Act No. 24 of 1936)
- Is disqualified from practising his or her profession under the Act
- Is not a South African Citizen and ordinarily resident in the Republic
- Is mentally ill to such a degree that it is necessary that he or she be detained, supervised or controlled
- Has been removed from an office of trust on account of misconduct
- Has been convicted of an offence for which he or she was sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine
- Has been convicted of theft, fraud, forgery or uttering a forged document, perjury, an offence under the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004 (Act No. 12 of 2004), or any other offence involving dishonesty
- Has previously been a member of the Council for a period exceeding 10 consecutive years
- Has had his or her membership of the Council terminated by the Minister in terms of the Act
- Is, at the time of his or her appointment, or was, during the preceding 12 months, a member of a municipal council, a provincial legislature or Parliament
- Is, at the time of his or her appointment, or was, during the preceding 12 months; a provincial or national office-bearer or employee of any party, organisation or body of a political nature

The objects of the Council are set out in section 3 of the Act.

The Council must hold at least four meetings per annum. Each member must on assumption of office, sign an undertaking to abide by the provisions of the Act and the code of conduct pertaining to members of the Council.

Interested persons are invited to nominate candidates to serve on the Council. Nominations must be made on the prescribed nomination forms obtainable from the South African Nursing Council, or on the SANC website: www.sanc.co.za. The nomination forms will also be available on the Department of Health website: www.doh.gov.za

Some of the documents as outlined in Government Notice No R. 20 of 16 January 2008 must be submitted together with the nomination form :

- Detailed CV of nominee with relevant expertise
- A written and signed acceptance of the nomination by the nominee
- Written vision and proposed future contribution to the nursing profession
- Names and contact details of the nominator
- Motivation for nominating the nominee including actual or potential leadership qualities
- A certificate of good standing with the Council

Completed nomination forms with all the relevant documents must be posted to the Returning Officer, South African Nursing Council, P.O Box **2542** Pretoria, 0001 or hand delivered to the Nursing Council offices at 602 Pretorius Street, Arcadia, Pretoria 0083. Please note that nominations may not be submitted by fax or e-mail. Certificate of good standing must be requested by fax or e-mail from the contact details below .

For any further enquiries regarding the submission of nominations, please contact:

Tel: 012 426 95 42

Fax: 086 529 3615

E-mail: returning.officer@sanc.co.za

Nomination Form together with other requested documents should reach the Returning Officer by **14 March 2008 at 16h00**. The envelope should be clearly marked "NOMINATION FORM".

Nominations postmarked or handed in after this date and time will not be accepted.