

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm- Norms/Guidelines for Practical training) (Diploma in Pharmacy Part II – A of E.R.1981 Diploma in Pharmacy Part III of E.R.1991) in Hospitals / Dispensaries run by the Government of Kerala - prescribed – orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (D) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (MS)No.18/95/ H&FWD.

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- Read:
1. Lr.No. B4/5518/94/MCT dt.4.5.94 from the Principal Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram.
 2. Lr. No. M/1680/94/KPC dt. 28.11.94 from the Registrar of KSP Council.
 3. Lr.No.EE4-24583/94/DHS. dt .11.5.94 from the Director of Health Services.

ORDER

As per E.R. 1981 of the Pharmacy Council of India, it is mandatory for the students studying for Diploma in Pharmacy (D. Pharm) to undergo practical training for a period of not less than 750 hours spread over a period of not less than three months in any of the institutions.(Annexure-C) As per E.R.1991, the practical training shall be not less than 500 hours spread over a period of not less than 3 months provided that not less than-250 hours are devoted to actual dispensing of prescriptions.

1. In the course of practical training, the Pharmacy student trainee shall have exposure to
 - (i) working knowledge of keeping of records required by various Acts concerning the profession of Pharmacy, and
 - (ii) Practical experience in
 - a) the manipulation of Pharmaceutical apparatus in common use.
 - b) the reading, translation and copying of prescription including checking of doses;
 - c) the dispensing of prescription illustrating the commoner methods of administering medicaments; and
 - d) the storage of drugs and medical preparations.
2. Government is now pleased to prescribe the following norms and guidelines for the conduct of Practical training for D.Pharm students in the State of Kerala.
 1. Procedure to be followed prior to commencement of training.
 - (i) The head of an academic training institution on application, shall supply in triplicate Practical Training Contract Form for qualification as a Pharmacist

(hereinafter referred to as the Contract Form) to candidate eligible to undertake the said practical training. The Contract Form shall be as specified in Annexure 'B' to this order.

- (2) The Head of an academic training institution shall fill Section I of the Contract Form. The trainee shall fill Section II of the said Contract Form and the Head of the institution agreeing to impart the training (hereinafter referred to as the Apprentice Master) shall fill Section III of the said Contract Form.
- (3) It shall be the responsibility of the trainees to ensure that one copy (hereinafter referred to as the first copy of the Contract form) so filled is submitted to the Head of the academic training institution and the other two copies (hereinafter referred to as the second copy and the third copy) shall be filled with the Apprentice Master (if he so desires) or with the trainees ending completion of the training.

II. Procedure for selection of students.

- (1) The student who have appeared for Part II examination of Diploma in Pharmacy from any of the Pharmacy Council of India approved institution can apply for undergoing practical training in the Government hospitals / dispensaries in the State. The student has to submit the application in the prescribed form as shown in Annexure 'A' of this order along with Annexure 'B' signed by the head of the academic institution, where he/she has studied for the Diploma in Pharmacy Course to the District Medical Officer /Hospital Superintendent/ Principals of the Medical Colleges.
- (2) A register of applicants will be kept in the office of the D.M.O/ Hospital Superintendent/ Principal of Medical College. The name and addresses of all students who had submitted the applications should be entered in the register in the chronological order of receiving the applications.
- (3) The Government hospitals/dispensaries can admit trainees only in accordance with section 20(1) and (2) of E.R.1991 in the case of students admitted as per E.R.91. The maximum number of trainees that can be admitted in a hospital/dispensary is equal to the total number of registered pharmacists working there plus one (if only one Pharmacist is working two trainees can be admitted, if two Pharmacists are working three trainees and so on).
- (4) The vacancies for trainees in the hospital/dispensary shall be filled up as and when such vacancies are arising if there are sufficient applicants.
- (5) The order of priority for selection shall be as follows:
 - (i) Students who have passed D.Pharm Part II examination of Govt. of Kerala.
 - (ii) Students who have passed D.Pharm Part II examination of other States.
 - (iii) Students who appeared for Part II D.Pharm examination of Government of Kerala/other examining authority. The students can mention three institutions of their choice in the order of their preference (Annexure 'A' and it will be allotted on the basis of the priority above and depending upon the vacancy position of that institution.

- (6) Immediately on completion of training of any student, the head of the organization or the Pharmaceutical Division shall intimate the position to the District Medical Officer/Hospital Superintendent / Principal of Medical College concerned and they will allot the vacancy to the next student in the existing priority waiting list and if no waiting list is existing to the next applicant in the order of registration.
- (7) The Officer who is keeping the Register of the applicants and the priority waiting list shall intimate the candidate about the occurrence of vacancy through a letter by registered post 15 days in advance. If the candidate does not turn up on or before the due date, a maximum period of one week may be allowed for that applicant for joining and if the candidate does not join within the grace time also, the vacancy will be allotted to next applicant in the waiting list and the former's chance for the practical training in the institution will be lost. If the original candidate wants to renew his/her registration for the particular institution he/she has to apply afresh.

III. Training Fee

Training fee of Rs. 200/- will be charged from, each student who have undergone academic course from the approved institutions outside Kerala and seeking practical training inside the State.

IV. Certificate

After successful completion of the training a certificate to that effect will be issued by the head of the organization or Pharmaceutical Division as prescribed in Annexure 'B' (that is Appendix E of E.R'91)

(By order of the Governor)

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