

GUJARAT MEDICAL COUNCIL

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for the information of all concerned:

That for FMG (Foreign Medical Graduates), the degree awarded by foreign universities such as "MD (Physician)", "MD (Doctor of Medicine)", and the registration/license granted by NMC, MCI, or GMC under equivalent titles like "MD (Physician)" or "MD (Doctor of Medicine)" **is considered equivalent to MBBS in accordance with Regulation 2(f) of the Screening Test Regulations, 2002.**

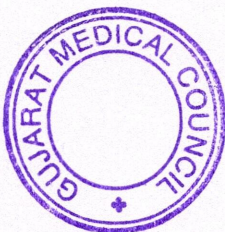
However, it has been observed that some FMGs, despite this equivalence, are misrepresenting their qualifications/registration as being on par with "MD" and thereby misleading the general public.

All FMGs registered with the Gujarat Medical Council are **directed to practice only as "M.B.B.S." doctors** (as recognized for equivalence in India). They **must mention only "M.B.B.S." as their qualification** in every professional context. This requirement is mandatory for signboards, prescriptions, visiting cards, letterheads, advertisements, and all other forms of public or professional representation. **Any projection of foreign titles such as "MD (Physician)" or "MD (Doctor of Medicine)" in India shall be treated as misrepresentation.**

All FMGs are hereby cautioned that **such misrepresentation amounts to professional and ethical misconduct.** As per Section 30(2) of the NMC Act, 2019, any violation of the above shall invite disciplinary action by the Council, after giving an opportunity of hearing to the concerned medical practitioner, which may include:

- **Suspension of MBBS registration for a period which may extend to six (06) months, or**
- **Imposition of monetary penalty which may extend to ₹1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only), or**
- **Both, depending upon the severity of the misconduct.**

All stakeholders, including hospitals, institutions, and the general public, are advised to take note of the above.



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