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**NO. S.O. (PH) 12-1 / 89 (P-III)
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Dated Lahore, the 30th April, 2013

To

1. All the Principals of Autonomous Medical Institutions in Punjab.
2. All the Medical Superintendents of Teaching Hospitals in Punjab.
3. All the Heads of Special Health Institutions in Punjab.
4. All the Executive District Officers (Health) in the Punjab.
5. All the Medical Superintendents of DHQ & THQ Hospitals in Punjab.

SUBJECT: ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR RECRUITMENT OF ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN PUBLIC SECTOR.

I am directed to refer to the subject noted above.

2. I am further directed to state that the field formations are facing problems while recruiting technicians in Allied Health Sciences due to an ambiguity in the prescribed eligibility criteria. As described in Notification No. SOR-III (S&GAD)1-25/2008, dated 14th April 2012, the stipulated academic qualification (clause-ii) is:

“F.Sc (Second Division) from a recognized board having diploma in relevant Allied Health Science discipline from a recognized board, If none is available, then candidates having qualification of Matric (Second Division) with science from a recognized Board along with two years diploma in the relevant discipline from a recognized Institute.”

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3. The recruiting authorities are more concerned about the para-medical diplomas / certificates issued by Skill Development Council (SDC), and they often demand a clarification from the Government about their eligibility.

4. It is informed that the Ministry of Labour & Manpower, National Training Bureau Trade Testing & Certification Unit, of which the Skill Development Council (SDC) is a subsidiary, has not authorized it to conduct such courses as described in letter no. 1(60) NTB-TT & C/2010 dated 30th July 2010. In another letter bearing No. 5(26)2012-PTT, dated 14th February 2012, the Ministry of Professional and Technical Training, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad has notified that Skill Development Council has not been allowed to conduct paramedical courses.

5. It is further intimated that Punjab Medical Faculty (PMF) is the only examining body in the Punjab which is mandated for granting certificates and diplomas to students from institutions affiliated with it. No institution can grant certificate / diploma on its own. The PMF and the Health Department are facing recurring enquiries regarding the status of certificates / diplomas issued by organizations other than PMF. It is reiterated

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that PMF has got the sole mandate for issuing certificates / diplomas in the field of Allied Health Sciences.

6. In this regard, you are requested to ensure that while making recruitment of Allied Health Professionals, only the certificates / diplomas issued by the Punjab Medical Faculty (PMF) may be entertained.
7. These instructions be complied with in letter and spirit.

(DR. NASIR MAHMOOD SHAKIR)
DEPUTY SECRETARY (ME)

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Copy of the above is forwarded for information to the:

1. Chief Secretary, Punjab.
2. Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab.
3. Secretary (Regulations), Government of the Punjab, S & GA Department.
4. Vice Chancellor, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.
5. Vice Chancellor, University of Health Sciences, Lahore.
6. Director General, Health Services, Punjab, Lahore.
7. All the District Coordination Officers in Punjab.
8. P.S.O. to Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Home Department.
9. P.S.O. to Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Health Department.
10. P.S. to Special Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Health Department.
11. P.A. to Additional Secretary (Technical), Health Department.

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