



# Delhi Medical Council

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## **CIRCULAR**

The Delhi Medical Council observed that some of the Registered Medical Practitioners of the Delhi Medical Council who possess the qualification of M.D. "Physician", have been misrepresenting their qualification by suffixing 'M.D' to their names, as the abbreviation of 'M.D.' can only be used by a person who is a holder of post-graduate medical qualification. Further, the qualification with the nomenclature M.D.(Physician) awarded by various medical universities/institutes outside India is equivalent M.B.B.S. qualification in India. The Delhi Medical Council further observed that misrepresenting the qualification without holding a recognized post-graduate qualification in any subject, is clear violation of Regulation 7.20 and 1.4.2 of the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics), Regulations, 2002. The contents of which are reproduced herein-below, failing which they shall be liable for disciplinary action.

7.20- "A Physician shall not claim to be specialist unless he has a special qualification in that branch".

1.4.2- "Physicians shall display as suffix to their names only recognized medical degrees or such certificates/diplomas and memberships/honours which confer professional knowledge or recognizes any exemplary qualification/achievements."

The Delhi Medical Council, therefore, directs that the Registered Medical Practitioners of the Delhi Medical Council should adhere to the Regulations 7.20 and 1.4.2 of the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics), Regulations, 2002. Further, the holders of M.D. (Physician) qualification awarded by various medical universities/institutes outside India should mention in their letter head prescription, certificates, money receipts given to patients, clinic boards, etc. as mention M.D. (physician) equivalent to M.B.B.S.

  
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## **C I R C U L A R**

The Delhi Medical Council observed that some of the Registered Medical Practitioners of the Delhi Medical Council are misrepresenting their qualification/qualifications, even though, the same is/are not recognized qualification as per the Schedules to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 and in fact claims themselves to be specialist viz. gynaecologist, sonologist, radiologist, etc. The Delhi Medical Council further observed that making a claim of being a specialist without holding a recognized post-graduate qualification in any subject, is clear violation of Regulation 7.20 and 1.4.2 of the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics), Regulations, 2002. The contents of which are reproduced herein-below, failing which they shall be liable for disciplinary action.

*7.20- "A Physician shall not claim to be specialist unless he has a special qualification in that branch".*

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The Delhi Medical Council, therefore, directs that the Registered Medical Practitioners of the Delhi Medical Council should refrain themselves from the violation of the Regulations 7.20 and 1.4.2 of the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics), Regulations, 2002.

  
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