# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 351**

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**Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) Whether he has been informed that the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) is yet to publish a list of accredited tertiary medical institutions as recognised by his department and as indicated in item 6 on the Policy Guideline on the Requirements for Practice of Medical Professionals in South Africa, 2018; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) what are the full relevant details of the steps that he intends to take in order to expedite regulatory compliance by HPCSA as this matter is seemingly at the very core of the problem that South African foreign qualified medical doctors are facing today in terms of having a recognised foreign qualification?

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###### REPLY:

1. The list of accredited tertiary medical institutions as recognised by the Health Professions Council of South Africa is as follows:-

* Stellenbosch University
* Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University
* University of Cape Town
* University of the Free State
* University of Pretoria
* University of Witwatersrand
* Walter Sisulu University
* University of Kwa Zulu Natal
* University of Limpopo

1. As a creature of statute, the HPCSA and Boards powers are confined to those conferred by the statute creating them and limited to the Republic of South Africa. The HPCSA thus endeavours to run its operations in accordance with the relevant Act and Regulations.

In this regard, the HPCSA will soon be embarking on a process to review the regulations and rules in their entirety so as to address any gaps identified in the course of application of the said rules and regulations.

It is envisaged that this process will be completed in a few months and that the above concern will be addressed in the process.

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