



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

No. 28—1954

[L.S.]

I ASSENT,

M. H. DORMAN,
Acting Governor.

21st May, 1954.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Medical Board Ordinance,
Ch. 12. No. 2.

[27th May, 1954.]

Commence-
ment

ENACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago, with the
advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof. Enactment

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Medical Board Short title and
construction
(Amendment) Ordinance, 1954, and shall be read as one with
the Medical Board Ordinance, in this Ordinance referred to as Ch. 12. No. 2
the Principal Ordinance.

Section 2 of
Principal
Ordinance
amended

2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by substituting a semi-colon for the full-stop appearing at the end thereof, and by adding at the end thereof the following new definitions :—

“ “provisionally registered” means registered by virtue of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 30A of this Ordinance; and “provisional registration” shall be construed accordingly;

“qualifying diploma” means any licence or diploma by virtue of which, but for the provisions of the Medical Act, 1950, a person would have been entitled to be registered as a medical practitioner in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland;

“the Medical Act 1950” means the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 14 Geo. 6 Ch. 29, entitled shortly the Medical Act, 1950.”

Section 14 of
Principal
Ordinance
amended

3. Section 14 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended—

(a) by substituting a semi-colon for the full-stop appearing at the end thereof, and

(b) by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph to be lettered (f) :—

“(f) for prescribing anything which is to be or may be prescribed under this Ordinance.”

Section 21 of
Principal
Ordinance
amended

4. Section 21 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by deleting all the words from “He shall also keep”, occurring in line 5 thereof, to the end of the section, and substituting therefor the following :—

“He shall keep and have custody, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, of the books of registry to be known as ‘the Register of the Medical Board’ and as ‘the Register of Provisional Medical Registration’, respectively. He shall also have the custody of all books, papers and other documents belonging to the Board.”

New section
added to
Principal
Ordinance

5. The following new section to be numbered 24A, is hereby added to the Principal Ordinance, immediately after section 24 :—

“Register of
Provisional
Medical
Registration

24A. The Register of Provisional Medical Registration shall relate only to persons who are registered by virtue of the provisions of section 30A of this Ordinance. It shall be in the like form and shall contain the like particulars as the Medical Register; but it shall be compiled by reference to such date or dates

in the year, and shall be printed and published at such time or times during a year, as the Council shall direct."

6. Section 25 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and replaced by the following :—

Conditions of
registration
as a member

25. (1) On and after the 1st day of April, 1954, a person shall, for the purpose of being entitled to be registered as a member of the Board, show to the satisfaction of the Council that he is of good character, and either—

- (a) that he is registered as a medical practitioner in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland, or
- (b) both that he is the holder of a qualifying diploma and that he has had such experience as is hereinafter specified.

(2) The requirements of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section as to experience shall be deemed to be satisfied—

- (a) by a certificate issued by the body granting the qualifying diploma, in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of the Medical Act, 1950, or
- (b) by proof to the satisfaction of the Council—

- (i) that the person claiming registration has been employed as mentioned in subsection (1) of section 2 of the Medical Act, 1950, and has satisfied the conditions specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) thereof; or
- (ii) that the said person has rendered satisfactory service in an appointment or appointments (whether within or outside Her Majesty's dominions) such as in the opinion of the Council confer experience of the practice of medicine and surgery, or medicine, surgery and midwifery, not less extensive than

Section 25 of
Principal
Ordinance
repealed
and replaced

that required for a certificate under section 2 of the Medical Act, 1950; or

(iii) that the said person has otherwise acquired such experience as aforesaid.

(3) A person qualified to be registered in accordance with the provisions of this section shall, on application to the Council and on the payment of a fee of \$24.00, be registered in respect of his diploma or licence as a member of the Board.

(4) Nothing in this section shall affect or be construed as affecting any registration of any person as a member of the Board which was effected before the 1st day of April, 1954."

New section
added to
Principal
Ordinance

7. The following new section, to be numbered 30A, is hereby added to the Principal Ordinance, immediately after section 30 :—

"Registration
in Register
of Provisional
Medical
Registration

30A. (1) On and after the 1st day of April, 1954, if the Council is satisfied that any person would have been entitled, but for the requirements of this Ordinance as to experience, to be registered as a member of the Board, and that such person has been selected for employment in a resident medical capacity in any approved hospital or institution, the Council shall, upon payment of the prescribed fee, cause the name of such person to be entered in the Register of Provisional Medical Registration.

(2) Without prejudice to any other provision of this Ordinance, if any person provisionally registered—

(a) ceases to be employed in a resident medical capacity in any approved hospital or institution and does not within such time as may be prescribed take up employment in such capacity in some other approved hospital or institution; or

(b) becomes registered as a member of the Board under section 25 of this Ordinance,

the Council shall cause the provisional registration of such person to be cancelled.

(3) The provisions of section 27 of this Ordinance shall apply in respect of applications for provisional registration as they apply in respect of applications for registration under section 25 of this Ordinance.

(4) Every person who is provisionally registered shall be entitled to practise medicine, surgery and midwifery in the hospital or institution at which he is employed.

(5) In this section—

“approved hospital or institution” means a hospital or institution in this Colony or elsewhere which is approved by the Governor in Council, after consultation with the Council of the Medical Board, for the purpose of this section, and

references to employment in a resident medical capacity shall be construed as references to employment in the practice of medicine, surgery or midwifery, where the person in question is resident in the hospital or institution where he is employed or conveniently near thereto, and is by the terms of his employment required to be so resident.”

8. Section 54 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended—

Section 54 of
Principal
Ordinance
amended

(a) by substituting a colon for the full-stop appearing at the end thereof, and

(b) by adding at the end thereof the following proviso, namely :—

“Provided that it shall not be an offence under paragraph (a) of this section if a person who is provisionally registered practices medicine or surgery, or performs any surgical operation, or gives any medical opinion or advice or prescribes any medical or surgical treatment in the hospital or institution at which he is for the time being employed.”

9. Section 55 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended—

Section 55 of
Principal
Ordinance
amended

(a) by substituting a colon for the full-stop appearing at the end thereof, and

(b) by adding at the end thereof the following proviso :—

“Provided that a death certificate signed by a person who is provisionally registered shall be valid if the same relates to a death which occurred in the hospital or institution at which such person is employed.”

Passed in Council this seventh day of May in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

T. F. FARRELL,
Clerk of the Council.