
Fourth Session First Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 30 of 1980

[L.S.]

**AN ACT to incorporate the Trinidad and Tobago
Registered Nurses Association.**

[Assented to 20th June, 1980]

WHEREAS for many years there has been in existence Preamble
and functioning in Trinidad and Tobago an Association
known as The Trinidad and Tobago Registered Nurses
Association.

And Whereas it is expedient that the Association be incorporated for the purposes set out below.

Enactment

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Trinidad and Tobago Registered Nurses Association (Incorporation) Act, 1980.

Incorporation

2. The Trinidad and Tobago Registered Nurses Association (in this Act referred to as “the Association”) is hereby created a body corporate.

**Aims and
objects of the
Association**

3. The aims and objects of the Association are:—

- (a) to advance the status of nursing as a profession by promoting measures which provide for the administration of nursing affairs by nurses;
 - (b) to advance high standards of ethical and professional conduct among members;
 - (c) to establish, maintain and encourage high standards of professional service; to influence public policy and to initiate and support legislation in order to achieve these ends;
 - (d) to stimulate educational development of nurses and midwives on the basic, post-basic, graduate and postgraduate levels and to promote nursing research;
 - (e) to encourage social interaction among nurses as well as members of other disciplines and community organisations with similar aims;
 - (f) to protect the interests and welfare of nurses in accordance with the principles of the nursing profession;
 - (g) to foster the participation of nurses in those activities which contribute to the general welfare of the nation;
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- (h) to foster nursing relationships and affiliations and uphold the ethics of the profession on an internationally accepted basis;
- (i) generally to do every lawful act appropriate, or necessary for the achievement of the foregoing aims.

4. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a central Executive Committee whose election powers and procedures shall be as prescribed in the Constitution and Rules of the Association.

5. All documents requiring the seal of the Association shall be sealed with the common seal in the presence of its President and Executive Secretary who shall sign every such document and such signing shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Association.

Mode of execution of documents

6. (1) The Association shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on the Association and this address shall be registered with the Registrar General.

Registered address and service of documents

(2) Every document to be served on the Association may be served by leaving it at, or by sending it by registered post to the registered address of the Association.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Association liable on summary conviction to a fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

7. The Association may make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and the discharge of its functions and may vary or revoke such rules.

Power to make rules

8. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State, or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any persons, except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Saving of state or other rights

Passed in the House of Representatives this 2nd day
of May, 1980.

J. E. CARTER
Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 10th day of June, 1980.

R. L. GRIFFITH
Clerk of the Senate