

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

RULES FOR THE REGISTRATION OF SPEECH AND HEARING ASSISTANTS

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The South African Medical and Dental Council hereby in terms of [section 32](#) (1) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974), made the rules contained in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

1. The council may register as a speech and hearing assistant any person who holds a matric certificate or a qualification recognised by the professional board and the council, is at least 16 years old and who obtained a qualification in speech therapy and audiology granted after examination by any institution or examining body approved by resolution of the council from time to time as competent to grant such qualification: Provided that no qualification shall be accepted for the purposes of this rule unless the training therefor has extended over a minimum period of one year in a hospital or other institution approved by the council.
2. Where, in the case of an application, the qualification on which the application is based has not already been approved by the council, the applicant shall be required to cause the council to be furnished with authoritative information as to the training required for such qualification, whereupon, if the standard of such training is considered satisfactory by the council, such qualification may be approved.