

Full Registration/Licensing of Foreign Medical Practitioners in ASEAN Member States (AMS)

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Countries Who Have Full Registration			
Brunei Darussalam	For those in permanent posts or on contract.	yearly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Locums and those on daily pay Also for visiting Consultants in the private sector For those joining private sectors, for the first initial one year.
Lao PDR	Full license: is a competency certificate for healthcare professional issued by MOH based on recommendation of the Healthcare Professional Council (HPC) issued to healthcare professional working at public and private health facilities and meet all the licensing requirements set by the HPC.	License is valid for 5 years but registration yearly.	Only for foreigner specialists Should pass National Licensing Exam Basic Lao language recommended Should have residency in Laos <ul style="list-style-type: none">
Malaysia	Section 14(1) – Local Practitioner As provided in Section 14(1) of the Medical (Amendment) Act 2012, only those who has provisionally registered under section 12 of the Act and has completed the housemanship training as required under section 13 is eligible to be considered for full registration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 12 provided that only those graduated from the universities listed in the Second Schedule is eligible to be considered for provisional registration and housemanship training as per section 13 of the Act. 	Life long	As provided in section 16 of the Medical Act 1971, upon application, Temporary Practicing Certificate (TPC) may be granted to a person registered outside Malaysia subject to conditions and restriction applied by the Council. The validity of TPC is 3 months and renewable up to 1 year. TPC is not for employment and will need to be under supervision. First application of Full Registration for foreign practitioners or lapse in registration for 6 months, shall apply for TPC and required to submit a

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those graduated from unrecognized universities, they have to sit and pass the Examination for Provisional Registration as provided in the Section 12(1)(a)(ii) & 12(1)(aa) of the Act in order for them to be considered for provisional registration. <p>Section 14(3) – Foreign Practitioner Any person may be fully registered under this section subject to such restrictions and conditions, including qualification, location, place and type of practice provided that the person possess a qualification which the Minister after consulting the Council is satisfied that it is adequate.</p>	<p>According to contract given or 3 years, whichever of shorter duration</p> <p>Renewable</p>	<p>performance report after 6 months, then may apply for Full Registration if report favourable.</p>							
Philippines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Registration/Licensing refers to the privilege conferred to an individual (Filipino or foreigner) who has satisfactorily complied with the legal requirements, including passing the licensure examinations in appropriate cases, for the issuance of the Certificate of Registration (COR) and Professional Identification Card (PIC). Full Registration/Licensing presupposes that the name of the registrant or licensee is entered in 	<p>Permanent for registration</p> <p>Licensing is renewable every 3 years</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="1361 920 1680 1018">Full Registration/ Licensing</th> <th data-bbox="1688 920 2024 1018">Temporary Registration/ Licensing</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1361 1018 1680 1193">The registrant or licensee can practice anywhere within the territorial jurisdiction of the Philippines.</td> <td data-bbox="1688 1018 2024 1193">The registrant or licensee can practice at a specific place or venue only.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1361 1193 1680 1369">He/she can practice at any given time so long as his/her COR and PIC are valid and subsisting.</td> <td data-bbox="1688 1193 2024 1369">He/she can practice within a specific period of time only.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Full Registration/ Licensing	Temporary Registration/ Licensing	The registrant or licensee can practice anywhere within the territorial jurisdiction of the Philippines.	The registrant or licensee can practice at a specific place or venue only.	He/she can practice at any given time so long as his/her COR and PIC are valid and subsisting.	He/she can practice within a specific period of time only.	
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	<p>the Registry of Professionals of the PRC. Such registration shall remain valid and effective unless suspended or revoked for any of the causes provided for in the law and after due process. On the other hand, the PIC is valid for three (3) years, and may be renewed thereafter upon payment of the prescribed fees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is termed as Full Registration/Licensing because the registrant's or licensee's authority to practice is not subject to any limitation as to the time, place and nature of practice. • Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program equivalent to 45 credit units required for renewal of PRC licence. 		<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1355 308 1688 539"> <p>He/she can engage in any activity or undertaking within the scope of practice as defined under the pertinent professional regulatory law.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1688 308 2022 539"> <p>He/she can practice in a specific undertaking or engagement only.</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>He/she can engage in any activity or undertaking within the scope of practice as defined under the pertinent professional regulatory law.</p>	<p>He/she can practice in a specific undertaking or engagement only.</p>
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Singapore	<p>Full registration may be granted to a doctor who:</p> <p>a. holds a Singapore degree awarded by a medical school in the First Schedule of the Medical Registration Act and a certificate of experience;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>b. holds such qualifications as may be recognised by the Medical Council and a certificate of experience (or equivalent) as proof of satisfactory</p>	<p>A fully registered practitioner has to apply for a practising certificate which is renewable every 2 years if he completes the SMC's CME requirements</p> <p>Registration can be removed if the practising certificate</p>	<p>Temporary registration may be granted to the following groups of doctors:</p> <p>a. Visiting experts who possess medical knowledge, experience and skills which SMC considers to be of international standing or are such as to have special value to the people of Singapore;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>b. International medical graduates who are engaged exclusively in teaching, research or postgraduate study in medicine under such approved</p>			

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	<p>completion of Postgraduate Year 1 (PGY1) or housemanship or the internship year(s) overseas; AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> has been Conditionally-registered and completed the minimum period of full-time practice under conditional registration; and have obtained consistently satisfactory assessment reports on his / her performance throughout the period of conditional registration. 	is not renewed after 2 years and if he is not contactable at his last known address in the register.	training scheme or in such medical capacity as the Medical Council may specify.								
Thailand	<p>Full license may be granted to foreign medical professionals who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> graduated from recognized medical schools hold valid license from country of origin passed Thai National Licensing Examination <p>qualified to be a member of the Thai Medical Council</p>	Life long	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Full Registration/ Licensing</th> <th>Temporary Registration/ Licensing</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Life long</td> <td>Not more than 1 year, renewable</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Work independently</td> <td>Work limited to time and scope of practice</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Same as local</td> <td>Work under supervision</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Full Registration/ Licensing	Temporary Registration/ Licensing	Life long	Not more than 1 year, renewable	Work independently	Work limited to time and scope of practice	Same as local	Work under supervision
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Viet Nam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Vietnamese – internship for 18 months, certificate of no criminal record, and health certificate. <p>For foreigners – registered in their home-country and proficiency Vietnamese language or has interpreter with medical science degree.</p>	Life long	If not practised for 2 years continuously or does not satisfy 48 hours of CME, the licence will be withdrawn.								
Countries Who Do Not Have Full Registration											

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Cambodia	No regulation for full registration of foreign medical practitioners		
Indonesia	<p>Indonesia has not carry out yet the full registration for foreign medical practitioners. At this moment, Indonesia apply temporary registration for the 5 (five) limited practice specialization that has been agreed by ASEAN:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limited Practice 2. Expert Visit 3. Education and Training 4. Humanitarian Purposes 5. Research with patient contact 		
Myanmar	No law on full registration of foreign medical practitioners.		