REGISTRATION AND LICENSURE OF NURSES WHO ARE NOT TANZANIANS

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The professions of Nursing and Midwifery in Tanzania are regulated by the Nursing and Midwifery Act, 2010.

Nurses and Midwives are required to be registered by Tanzania Nursing and Midwifery Council in order to be able to practice nursing or midwifery in Tanzania.

The Register is further divided into three sections; Full Registration, Temporary Registration and Provisional Registration.

Applicants are registered by examination, endorsement, reinstatement or by fulfilling any other requirement.
Section 16 of the Act provides for temporary registration category:

16.(1) Where a person who is not ordinarily a resident of Tanzania satisfies the Council that he-

   a) Is or intends to be employed in Tanzania in the capacity of registered nurse or a midwife in a hospital or other institution;

   b) Is holder of a qualification which is recognized for the time being by the Council as furnishing a sufficient guarantee of possession of the required knowledge and skill for efficient practice of nursing or midwifery
The Council may, if it considers fit, give direction that he shall be temporarily registered under this section

2. Subject to subsection (1), termination of registration shall automatically cease upon termination of such employment

3. A person registered under this section shall, in relation to the employment as mentioned in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) and to things done or omitted to be done in the course thereof, be treated as fully registered nurse or registered midwife under this Act.
License to Practice

- Section 21.(1) - The Registrar shall, in addition to registration or enrolment, issue the license to a registered or enrolled nurse or midwife
- Section 21(2) - Licenses and certificates of all kinds shall be in prescribed form and shall be subject to renewal as may be prescribed by the Council
Regulations (Rules) have been produced in order to provide for specific details as follows:

- Applicant must fill and submit application form
- Submit certified copies of nursing education award
- Transcript of academic record
- Evidence that is registered from the country of origin and is of good standing
- A letter from hosting institution
- 2 Passport size photo
- Nurses staying in Tanzania for not more than seven days are issued with authorization letter
## Fees – as issued by GN No 425

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Conclusion

- Nurses from the US are not subjected to registration examination
- It is easy to get verification from Nursing Boards with on-line verification facilities provided an applicant has submitted notarized copies of documents
- We required printed photographs and not soft copies or photocopies and scanned photos