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## भारतीय दन्त परिषद DENTAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

(CONSTITUTED UNDER THE DENTISTS ACT 1948)

No.DE-226-M2-2018/9551

Dated the S February, 2019

- 1. The Health Secretaries of the State Governments
- 2. The Director of Medical Education of the State Governments
- 3. The Registrar of State Dental Councils

Sub: <u>Implementation of Continuing Dental Education Regulations, 2018 – Procedure regarding</u>

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to inform that the General Body of the Council in its meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 at Goa considered that the DCI's Continuing Dental Education Regulations, 2018 was notified in the official gazette on 18.9.2018 and the State Dental Councils are facing problem regarding block year for its implementation. The General Body decided as under:

To overcome the difficulties being faced by the State Dental Councils regarding block year and to attain the uniformity in implementation of Continuing Dental Education Regulations, 2018, it has been considered appropriate by the DCI to direct all the State Dental Councils to adopt the following procedure:

(i) The State Dental Councils are advised that for registered dentists upto 31.3.2019, the block of five years shall start from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019.

However, the CDE points acquired by any registered dentist from the date of gazette notification of Continuing Dental Education Regulations, 2018 to 31.3.2019 may be considered and added by the respective State Dental Councils for the block year starting from 1.4.2019, as a one-time measure only, for the purpose of securing the validity of CDE points acquired by any dentist from 18.9.2018 to 31.3.2019.

(ii) The State Dental Councils are advised that for fresh registrations after 1<sup>st</sup> of April to 31<sup>st</sup> of March in any year, the coming 1<sup>st</sup> of April shall be considered as the starting block year.

The State Dental Councils are further advised to exempt the fresh registrations after 1<sup>st</sup> of April in any year from acquiring CDE points till the upcoming 31<sup>st</sup> of March to avoid any complexity in implementation of CDE Regulations, 2018, however the CDE points acquired during that period may be considered valid by the concerned State Dental Councils for the coming block year, as a one-time measure only.

(iii) The State Dental Councils are advised that in case of transfer of registrations, the CDE points acquired by the registered Dentist shall remain intact.

The State Dental Councils are further advised that in case of transfer of registrations, the details of CDE points acquired by the applicant registered dentists may be transferred from the transferor State Dental Council to the transferee State Dental Council and the block year and CDE point acquired shall remain intact.

The Directorate of Medical Education and State Dental Council of all the States are advised to widely publicise the implementation of Continuing Dental Education Regulations, 2018 through newspaper/letter or email or SMS, to all the registered dentists of their State, for information and to enable them to enhance their professional knowledge and skills by acquiring the requisite CDE points in time, as per the said regulations. The registered dentists may also be informed that non-compliance to CDE Regulations, 2018 may attract the relevant provision of Revised Dentists Code of Ethics Regulations, 2014 (and amended from time to time).

The above said decision of the General Body is communicated to your goodself for information and necessary action in the matter.

Dr. <del>Sabyas</del>achi Saha)

Yours faithfully

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