

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of the general public, guardians and students desirous for admission to MDS Courses at different dental colleges that some of the colleges, as experienced and noted have admitted student in gross violation of the Dental Council of India, Master of Dental Surgery Course Regulations, 2017, Time Schedule, common counseling process, NEET MDS Regulations, Registration of student as a dentist with respective State Dental Council, uploading the details of students on or after cut-off date and Act / Regulations / guidelines issued by the respective State Government / University / Counseling Authority etc.

2. The Dental Council of India, has also noted several irregularities in admissions at different colleges, and the colleges have been directed to discharge such students. In such circumstances, the career of the student is already at stake and faces the hardship in completing their courses. The certain instances of irregularities noted by the Council are as under:-

- (i) The student was not registered as a dentist for admission to MDS Course with respective State Dental Council
- (ii) The colleges have admitted at its own level without following the common counseling procedures.
- (iii) The college given admission to the student, however NEET qualified but not registered for counseling with the respective counseling authorities.
- (iv) The college has not uploaded the details of student on the DCI Website before the cut-off date prescribed for that purpose.
- (v) The list of eligible students admitted by the college as uploaded on the DCI Website within cut-off-date shall be final. It is the sole responsibility of the student and the college to ensure that his admission is as per rule and uploaded on DCI Website on time.
- (vi) The affiliating university shall enroll only those students who are eligible and have been admitted as per regulations of DCI by common counseling and uploaded on DCI Website well within the time frame.
- (vii) The State Dental Council shall add on the PG qualification only in respect of such students whose name and details are uploaded on the DCI Website as the college may try to manipulate or deviating from the name of the student who were initially admitted and uploaded on the DCI Website.
- (viii) The student admitted in excess of admission capacity in the specialty of MDS / PG Diploma in any manner, whatsoever by the college, shall not be accepted by the DCI. The college and student themselves shall be responsible for such irregularities.

3. The eligibility criteria and common counseling provisions as prescribed in Dental Council of India, Master of Dental Surgery Course Regulations, 2017 are reproduced below for the information and ready reference for the student:-

"5. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION._

A candidate for admission to the Master in Dental Surgery course, must possess a recognised degree of Bachelor in Dental Surgery awarded by a university or institute in India and registered with the State Dental Council and has obtained provisional or permanent registration and has undergone compulsory rotatory internship of a year in an approved/recognised dental college:

Provided that in the case of a foreign national, the following procedure shall be followed:-

The Council may, on payment of the prescribed fee for registration, grant temporary registration for the duration of the post-graduate training restricted to the dental college/institution to which he or she is admitted for the time being exclusively for post-graduate studies:

Provided further that temporary registration to such foreign national shall be subject to the condition that such person is duly registered as medical practitioner in his/her own country from which he/she has obtained his/her basic dental qualification and that his/her degree is recognized by the corresponding state dental council or concerned authority.

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9. COMMON COUNSELING. – (1) There shall be a common counseling for admission to all post-graduate courses (Diploma/MDS) in all dental educational institutions on the basis of merit list of the NEET.

(2) The designated authority for counseling for the 50% All India Quota seats of the contributing States, as per the existing scheme for post graduate (Diploma/MDS) courses shall be the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. Further Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India shall conduct counseling for all post-graduate (Diploma/MDS) Courses in Dental Educational Institutions of the Central Government, Universities established by an Act of Parliament and the Deemed Universities.

(3) The counseling for admission to post-graduate (Diploma/MDS) courses in all dental Educational Institutions in a State/Union Territory, including dental educational institutions established by the State Government, University established by an Act of State/Union Territory

Legislature, Trust, Society, Minority Institutions shall be conducted by the State/Union Territory Government.

(4) In case, any dispute arises on such common counseling, the matter to the Central Government and its decisions shall be final, in this regard."

4. All the students who are taking admission to MDS Courses at any dental institution shall ensure as to whether his/her admission has been made by the college as per the aforesaid rules and regulations and after strict compliance of the above points by the college, failing which the respective college and student shall be solely responsible for any consequences thereof and such admission shall be null and void ab-initio. The DCI shall take necessary action against the college and the student shall be liable to be discharged from the course without any further notice. This circular / notice is being issued by DCI as precautionary measure so as to avoid irregularities in admissions.