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Health And Family Welfare Department

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

Dated the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Gujarat
Professional
Medical
Educational
Colleges or
Institutions
(Regulation
of Admission
and Fixation
of Fees) Act,
2007

No.GY/25/HFWD/NRF/e-file/7/2023/1447/E: In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 20 read with Section 4 of the Gujarat Professional Medical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007, (Guj.3 of 2008) the Government of Gujarat, hereby makes the following rules to regulate admission to the Post Basic Diploma in Nurse Practitioner in Midwifery Courses, namely:-

### 1. Short Title.

These rules may be called the "Post Basic Diploma in Nurse Practitioner in Midwifery (NPM) (Regulation of Admission) Rules, 2023.

## 2. Definitions:

- (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
  - (a) "Admission" means admission of candidates to the Diploma in Nurse Practitioner in Midwifery Course.
  - (b) "Admission Committee" means Admission Committee as defined under clause (a) of section 2 of the Act.
  - (c) "College" means Nursing College recognized by the Indian Nursing Council and the Gujarat Nursing Council within the State of Gujarat.
  - (d) "Council" means the Indian Nursing Council constituted under the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947
  - (e) "Counselling" means the Counselling for admission to all government seats to Post Basic Diploma in NPM SNurse Practitioners in Midwifery) Course in all Educational Institutions in the State established by the State Government and admission conducted by the Admission Committee.

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- (f) "GNC" means the Gujarat Nursing Council constituted under the Gujarat Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act, 1968
- (g) "Help Center" means the center notified for the facilitation of the candidate for registration or as the case may be for the admission process by the Admission Committee.
- (h) "NPM" means Post Basic Diploma in Nurse Practitioner in Midwifery.
- (i) "Qualifying Examination" means passed a B.Sc. (Nursing) or Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing or Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) examination.
- (j) "RN and RM" means a Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife (RN and RM) and denotes a nurse who has successfully completed; recognized Bachelor of Nursing (B.Sc. Nursing), Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing, or Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) course, as prescribed by the Council and is registered in a GNC as a Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife.
- (2) The words and expressions used in these rules but not defined shall have the Same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

### 3. Seats Available for Admission:-

For the purpose of admission to the Post Basic Diploma in NPM Course, available seats shall include the Government sanctioned seats of the Post Basic Diploma in NPM Course in the Government Colleges recognised by the council.

Note: If any new seats are sanctioned after the commencement of final reshuffling process, such seats shall not be considered for admission in the relevant academic year.

## 4. Eligibility for Admission:

A candidate who desires admission shall-

1) Be a citizen of India.

2) Have Gujarat Nursing Council Registration of R.N and R.M. with a Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery / Basic B.Sc. (N) qualification / Post Basic B.Sc. (N),

provided that the candidates who have not been registered in GNC have to obtain a temporary registration in the State of Gujarat or shall require to transfer his registration in the GNC from the state where the candidate is registered.

- 3) Possess a minimum of two years of clinical experience in maternity care.
- 4) In-service employees who get regular salaries are also eligible for admission and have to go for Post Basic Diploma in NPM course at their own expense (i.e. Tenure of Course will be treated as Leave.)
- 5) Not exceeds 35 years of age.

#### 5. Reservation of Seats:

- (1) For the purpose of admission, the seats shall be reserved for the candidates who are origins of Gujarat and fall under the following categories, namely:
  - (a) Scheduled Castes: 07%
  - (b) Scheduled Tribes: 15%
  - (c) Socially and Educationally Backward Classes: 27%
  - (d) Economically Weaker Section (E.W.S.): 10%

Explanation – The reservation of the seats shall not be applicable for those who have migrated from other States.

- (2) A candidate seeking admission on reserved seat shall be required to Produce a Caste Certificate from where the candidate originates:
  - provided that the candidate belonging to Socially and Educationally Backward Class shall be required to produce a certificate to the effect of non-inclusion in Creamy Layer in addition to the caste certificate.
- (3) No caste certificate shall be valid unless it is duly signed, stamped, and issued by the competent authority empowered by the State Government.
- (4) No certificate regarding non-inclusion in Creamy Layer shall be valid unless it is duly stamped, signed and issued by the authority empowered

by the Government of Gujarat. The validity of such Certificate shall be as per the prevailing policy of the State Government.

- (5) If a candidate fails to submit the certificates as required under subrule(4) within the stipulated time, his candidature shall be considered for admission under the unreserved category.
- (6) If a candidate of the reserved category gets admission on an unreserved seat in order of merit, he may be given admission on the unreserved seat according to his preference.
- (7) The admission of a candidate of a reserved category on a reserved seat shall be valid subject to the verification of caste certificate by the authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf. In case the caste certificate is found invalid on verification, he shall not have right to claim his admission to the reserved seat and if he has been already granted admission, such admission shall be cancelled.
- (8) After granting admission to all the candidates of reserved categories on reserved seats the reserved category seats remaining vacant shall be transferred to the unreserved category seats.

## (1) Reservation for Physically Disabled:

Person with Disability (PWD): 5%(Five per cent) of the available seats in Government institutions in each category shall be reserved for persons with benchmark disabilities in, accordance with the provisions of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 as provided by the respective council from time to time. The certificate shall be obtained from the competent medical authority. The Certificate shall contain the extent of disability and suitability of such candidate for undertaking the course.

Explanation- "A person with a disability" means a person suffering from not less than (40%) forty per cent of any disability as certified by a competent medical authority.

The admission on aforesaid reserved seats shall be subject to the furnishing of certificate duly issued by competent authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf.

### 7. Conduct of Admission:-

The admission to candidate in the one year and six months the Post Basic Diploma in NPM Course shall be given in the following manner, namely:

- (i) Admission Committee shall by advertisement in the prominent newspapers widely circulated in the State and on its website and by such other means as the Committee may consider necessary, publish the date of registration, the list of Help centers, the date of issue of admission form / PIN centers for submission of documents, last date of submission of Registration Form, fee structure and list of nursing colleges where the course may be offered, date of counselling and reshuffling and such other information as may be necessary for this regards. The committee shall decide Schedule of the admission process, advertisement, preparation and display of the merit list and such other information as may be necessary in this regard.
- (ii) For the purpose of registration, a candidate shall be required to make payment of such sum towards the Registration fee and PIN No. from designated centers as determined by the Admission committee.
- (iii) A candidate seeking admission shall apply on-line on the website of the Admission Committee for the registration of his candidature within the time limit, specified by the Admission Committee.
- (iv) If a candidate has made more than one registration for the same category of seats, the registration made at the later stage shall be taken into consideration for admission purposes and the other registrations shall be treated as cancelled.
- (v) A candidate, who has registered himself online once and wants to correct or change his data, can do so at nearby Help Center of such colleges at the office of the Admission Committee. For making corrections or changes, he may approach a nearby Help Center and justify the need of change with valid documentary evidence.
- (vi) The receipt/confirmation can be obtained for the application received online. The Applicant shall be given the registration number and date of his application in the receipt and the same shall be used as reference in all future correspondence and also used in the merit list.
- (vii) Direct application of the Candidates who are working in Gujarat Government Nursing Services will be considered. Candidates have to

inform about the application to the concerned authority within stipulated time limit determined by the Admission Committee and should obtain the "No Objection Certificate" from the Government. It is mandatory to produce "No Objection Certificate" at the time of counselling.

# 8. Documents to be submitted with the registration Form:-

- (1) The candidate shall produce original documents for verification and attach the self-attested copies of the following documents along with the application form, namely:-
  - (i)Qualifying Examination Standard 12th (HSC) mark sheet;
  - (ii) School Leaving Certificate or Transfer Certificate;
  - (iii) S.S.C. Examination passing Certificate;

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- (iv) All Mark sheets of GNM/ Basic B.Sc. Nursing/ P.B.B.Sc. Nursing final examination and Certificate.
- (v) Registration Certificate (R.N and R.M) from the State Nursing Council. The candidate in order to practice midwifery during the period of training has to obtain temporary/transfer registration (R.N and R.M) in the respective state where the candidate is enrolled in the NPM Program;
- (vi) In the case of B.Sc. Nursing or P.B.B.Sc. Nursing the University Degree certificate;
- (vii) "No Objection Certificate" (N.O.C.) from the Competent Authority in case of an employee under state service or panchayat service (In Service Candidates) willing to join this course;
- (viii) Experience certificate of clinical experience in the maternity care;
- (ix) Caste Certificate for a candidate belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST) and Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC), issued by the authority empowered by the Government on that behalf;
- (x) For Economically Weaker Section (EWS) certificate from the concerned authority;

- (xi) For SEBC candidates, Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) Certificate of the family, as per the prevailing Policy of the Government issued by the authority empowered by the Government on this behalf;
- (xii) For Physically Disabled candidates, Certificate of Disability, issued and duly signed by the Medical Board constituted or Medical Officer authorized for the purpose;
- (2) The candidate shall have to produce for verification, at the time of counselling. Before the Admission Committee, the original documents, copies of which are attached with the application.
- (3) The Admission Committee may retain any original documents, which it considers necessary until the admission process is completed. The said documents shall be handed over by the Admission Committee to the college, where the candidate has got the admission, after completion of admission process. Such college shall return the original document to the candidate after completion of the administrative procedure.

### 9. Selection Process

The selection process for Admission to the Post Basic Diploma in NPM Shall be as stated below:-

- 1. There shall be conducted entrance examination by the Examination Body, to be decided by the Admission Committee. The fee for the entrance exam shall be determined by the Examination Body. The entrance examination shall be by Written and OSCE (Objective Structural Clinical Examination) Method.
- 2. Preparation of the merit list for admission:-

The merit list of candidates who have applied for admission in the prescribed form, within the prescribed time limit and who are found eligible for admission under these rules, shall be prepared in the following manner, namely:

- (1) The Admission Committee shall prepare and publish different merit lists as follows, namely:
  - i. The candidates eligible as per the merit list. No separate reservation is made either for male or female (Admission is open for all).

- ii. Merit list of reserve category as per Government norms. Explanation: The criteria for deciding marks of merit shall be the total marks obtained in entrance examination.
- (2) The criteria for deciding merit order in case of candidates having equal merit marks shall be in the following sequence, namely:-
  - (i) The candidate of Basic B.Sc (N) / Post Basic B.Sc (N).
  - (ii) The candidate obtaining higher percentage in the last year's qualifying examination Basic B.Sc (N) / Post Basic B.Sc (N) or GNM.
  - (iii) The candidate obtaining higher marks in the theory subject of Midwifery in qualifying examination Basic B.Sc (N) / Post Basic B.Sc (N) or GNM.
  - (iv) Date of Birth (Candidate who is older in age shall be given priority).
- (3) The selected in-service candidates shall be relieved according to the existing rules and regulations to join the NPM course;

#### 10. Standards of fees:

(i) A candidate who secure admission shall be required to pay fees as below:-Standards of fees of NPM course:-

Sr.	Particulars	Fees (In C)
No.		
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Admission Fees	5,000/- (Five thousand only).
2.	Tution Fees	15,000/- (Fifteen thousand only).
3.	Library Fees	500/-(Five hundred only).
4.	Miscellaneous Fees	500/- Five hundred only).
5.	Hostel Fees	15,000/-(Fifteen thousand only).
	TOTAL	36,000/-
		(Thirty Six Thousand Rupees Only)
	Caution Money	5000/- (Five Thousand Rupees Only)

- (ii) A candidate shall require to pay the mess fee separately.
- (iii) This course is a fully skilled-based programme, so all the candidates are required to remain present 24x7.

- (iv) Candidates who secure admission to the NPM Course have to Deposit caution money in the favour of the Principal of the Government College of Nursing where the candidate secures admission.
- (v) For online Registration and obtaining of a PIN and payment of 'Fees' is mandatory.
- (vi) A candidate shall be required to pay Entrance examination fees separately.

## 11. Cancellation of admission and refund of fee:

- (i) After the completion of the course the deposit (caution money) of Rs.5000/- will be refunded to the candidate. If any damage is done by the candidate then the deposited money will not be refunded.
- (ii) In case the candidate cancels the admission before the completion of the admission process then the paid fees shall be given back to the candidate after the completion of the admission process only.
- (iii) If the candidate does not complete the course or leave the course in between or the candidate's admission is cancelled then the paid fees will not be refunded in any condition.

### 12. Admission criteria:

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- I. Candidate shall require to submit 'Physical Fitness Certificate' at the time of joining.
- II. If the in-service candidate leaves the course in between the academic curriculum, then the absent time duration from service will be counted as their own leave. If a candidate does not have balance of paid leave, the absent period will be counted as leave without pay.
- III. Candidates will not get any type of leave during the NPM (Nurse Practitioners in Midwifery) course. Candidates will get leave according to the I.N.C./ G.N.C. norms;
- IV. "No Objection Certificate" (N.O.C.) from the Competent Authority (in case of in Service Candidates) is mandatory.
- V. The Candidate who is pregnant at the time of admission, she shall not be eligible to join the training during relevant academic year.

- VI. The candidate who conceives the pregnancy during the training and if she is not able to complete the course during the relevant academic year then, she must complete the course within the maximum period of three academic years.
- VII. After the completion of the NPM course, the candidate shall work according to the requirement of the Government.
- VIII. Implementation of the Course shall be as per the norms laid down by the Government of Gujarat, Indian Nursing Council, New Delhi and Gujarat Nursing Council, Ahmedabad.
- IX. The Final Examination shall be conducted by the State Nursing Registration Council.

## 13. Admission procedure:-

Admission shall be given on line in the following manner:-

- (1) The Admission Committee shall prepare the merit lists.
- (2) The merit list shall be displayed on the web-site and by such other means as the committee consider convenient.
- (3) The Admission Committee shall publish the schedule of the online Counselling programme on its website from time to time.
- (4) The candidate shall be required to pay such fee as determined by the Government. In case, the candidate fails to pay the fees within the prescribed time limit, the admission offered to him shall be treated as cancelled and transferred to the next eligible candidate.
- (5) The candidate belonging to the reserved category maybe allowed to get admission to an unreserved seat as per his merit number in the unreserved category. The admission shall be granted to such candidate in the unreserved category, only if he is eligible to get admission in the higher order of preference of courses than that in the reserved category.
- (6) The candidate seeking admission to the Post Basic Diploma in NPM course is required to produce a Certificate of Physical Fitness to undergo such course from a registered Medical Practitioner. The candidate shall submit the certificate to the Principal of the respective college, at the time of joining where he has been offered admission. The admission of a candidate shall be confirmed subject to the production of a certificate of his physical fitness only.

- (7) In case, where a considerable number of seats remain vacant and it appears to the Admission Committee to fill the vacant seats, needs to conduct the admission process for readjustment (reshuffling). The candidate can reshuffle seats/choice options during the process of readjustment (reshuffling). In such readjustment (reshuffling) of seats, the candidate who opts to participate in the reshuffling process, shall be considered for such admission.
- (8) In case of any doubt in the interpretation of the admission process, the decision of the Admission Committee shall be final.

## 14. Cancellation of admission on production of false documents:-

If any of the statements made in the application form or any information /document supplied by the candidate in connection with his application for admission is at any time found to be either false or incorrect or misleading, or if at any time it is found that the candidate has concealed any information/fact in connection with his application, his admission will be cancelled without any notice thereof, fees shall be forfeited.

15. Interpretation: If any difficulty or question arises in the implementation or interpretation of the provisions of these rules, the State Government may issue such directions as it may deem fit and the decision of the State Government shall be final and binding to all concerned.

By order and in the name of Governor of Gujarat,

(Prakash Patni)
Joint Secretary to Government

To,

- 1. The Principle Secretary to the Governor, Raj Bhavan, Gandhinagar. (By letter)
- 2. The Principle Secretary to Chief Minister, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 3. The Principle Secretary to Minister of Health, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 4. The Secretary, General Administrative Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

- 5. The Secretary, Gujarat Public Service Commission, Gandhinagar (By letter)
- 6. The Secretary, Legislative and Parliamentary Affairs Department, with request to send 20 copies of Gujarati translation.
- 7. The Personal Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 8. The Commissioner of Health, Medical Services and Medical Education & Research, Gandhinagar.
- 9. Additional Director, Medical Services, Gandhinagar
- 10. Manager, Government Central Press, Gandhinagar with a request to publish the Notification in Government Gazette and send 50 copies to this department.
- 11. Select File-2023.

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