

**EXTRACT FROM THE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (REGISTRATION OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS)
REGULATIONS 1987**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations are made pursuant to the Medical Practitioners Amendment Act 1986, which provides for the making of regulations for the establishment and maintenance of an indicative register of medical practitioners who have experience or other qualifications in the discipline of general practice and family medicine.

Regulation 4 prescribes the qualifications required for registration. By virtue of regulation 1 (2), the requirement to be a fellow or member of an appropriate professional college has been mandatory from 1 April 1990.

4. Qualification for registration—(1) A medical practitioner shall be entitled to have his or her name entered in the register if the Council is satisfied—

- (a) That the practitioner holds a qualification specified in the second column of the Schedule to these regulations, and granted by a College specified in the first column of that Schedule in relation to that qualification; and
- (b) That the practitioner has been qualified as a medical practitioner for not less than 5 years; and
- (c) That the practitioner has had training and practical experience in general practice and family medicine for not less than 3 years; and
- (d) That, so far as is practicable, the practitioner limits his or her practice to general practice and family medicine.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (1) of this regulation, if the Council sees fit in relation to any particular case, the name of a medical practitioner may be entered in the register if the Council is satisfied that he or she is recognised by his or her colleagues in the medical profession as having special experience in the discipline of general practice and family medicine.

SCHEDULE

QUALIFICATIONS

<i>Body</i>	<i>Qualification</i>	
Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners	(a) Fellowship (b) Membership	
Royal Australian College of General Practitioners	Fellowship	} Where the prescribed course of training and criteria for fellowship or membership is considered by the Council to be at least equivalent to that required for membership of the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners.
Royal College of General Practitioners of the United Kingdom	(a) Fellowship (b) Membership	
Any other College or body of General Practitioners	(a) Fellowship (b) Membership	