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# Memorandum

**To:** All Stakeholders

**From:** Registrar

**Date:** 10 February 2022

## **RE: PROFESSIONAL QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS**

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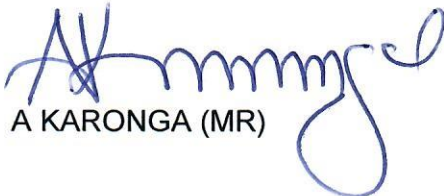
The above issue refers.

1. It has come to the attention of Council that there are some pre-registration pharmacists who are not adhering to the rules and regulations stipulated on writing the online Professional Qualifying Examinations.
2. The trend noted suggests that some students are engaging other practitioners to write the examinations on their behalf wherein it is a requirement that registered candidates have to sit for the examination without assistance or any materials to refer to.
3. Furthermore, it had been also noted that some students are writing the examination in groups, thus having time to confer amongst themselves, defeating the whole purpose of an examination.
4. In view of the above observations, the Council has with immediate effect come up with the following measures curb the concerns noted above:
  - (a) Pre-registration supervisors shall supervise the students during the period of writing the examination to avoid any possible cheating.
  - (b) All examinations shall be written at the workplace (premises where pre-registration training is being undertaken and during working hours-(08 00 to 17 00hours)
  - (c) For non-pre-registration students but are required to write the

examination, they shall have an appointed invigilator by Council to monitor them during the time of writing the examination.

(d) All approved supervisors are required to duly complete a form of undertaking or declaration confirming their participation during the examination period. The declaration form is available on the Council's website [www.pcz.co.zw](http://www.pcz.co.zw) and under **Education and Training**.

(e) Falsifying of information by the Supervisors is a serious offence and to be dealt with under the provisions of Section 140 of the Health Professions Act (Chapter 27:19).

  
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