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(Under the provisions of the Nursing Act, 2005)

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**Circular 2/2017**

**TO: PRINCIPALS OF THE NURSING EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS**

**RE: CANCELLATION OF THE EXAMINATIONS FOR THE BRIDGING COURSE FOR ENROLLED NURSES LEADING TO REGISTRATION AS A GENERAL NURSE/ PSYCHIATRIC NURSE: GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO. R.683 OF 14 APRIL 1989 (AS AMENDED)**

**1. Purpose**

To inform the Principals of the Nursing Education Institutions (NEIs) about the cancellation of the above examinations, written in May 2017.

**2. Background**

**2.1** It has come to the attention of the South African Nursing Council (SANC) that some learners had access to the examination question papers prior to the date on which they were due to write the following examinations:

<b>First year examinations for the <i>Bridging Course for Enrolled Nurses, leading to registration as General Nurse/Psychiatric Nurse</i></b>	<b>Date on which the examinations were written:</b>
Paper 1	05 May 2017
Paper 2	08 May 2017
<b>Second year examinations for the <i>Bridging Course for Enrolled Nurses leading to registration as General Nurse/Psychiatric Nurse</i></b>	
Paper 1	24 May 2017
Paper 2	26 May 2017

**2.2** In these circumstances, the Council had no option but to take the decision to cancel the examinations.

2.3 The SANC will be reconvening the examinations, as follows:

<b>First year examinations for the <i>Bridging Course for Enrolled Nurses leading to registration as General Nurse/Psychiatric Nurse</i></b>	<b>Date on which the examinations are to be written:</b>
Paper 1	28 June 2017
Paper 2	30 June 2017
<b>Second year examinations for the <i>Bridging Course for Enrolled Nurses leading to registration as General Nurse/Psychiatric Nurse</i></b>	
Paper 1	28 June 2017
Paper 2	30 June 2017

2.4 Kindly ensure that all the learners are duly informed of the situation and the new dates of the examinations. We also appeal to the learners not to contact the SANC directly regarding the situation, but rather the Principals of the NEIs.

2.5 The South African Nursing Council is currently in the process of investigating the circumstances that led to a breach of security in respect of the examinations.

2.6 We sincerely regret the inconvenience this has caused the learners and the NEIs, and your continued support and understanding in this matter is highly appreciated.

### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

This circular becomes effective and implementable on the date of this circular.

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Yours sincerely,



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