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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Pharmacists Council of Nigeria (PCN) is empowered by the PCN Act, CAP P17 LFN 2004 to determine among other functions the standards of knowledge and skills to be attained by persons seeking to become registered members of the Pharmacy profession. Pursuant to the above mandate, the Governing Council of PCN at its 39th Regular Meeting of May 21, 2015 approved the Report of the *Ad hoc* Committee on Pre-Registration Examination for Fresh Pharmacy Graduates, who have completed the twelve- month mandatory internship training prior to seeking full registration to practice pharmacy in Nigeria. This Manual outlines the nature and regulations guiding the pre-registration examination, entry to practice expected competences, and the syllabus for the pre-registration examination. The Manual will guide the interns and their preceptors in carrying out their activities.

2.0 OBJECTIVE OF THE PRE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION

The objective of the pre-registration examination is to ascertain that those who have undertaken the internship training programme have acquired the requisite knowledge, attitudes and skills to practice pharmacy in Nigeria without endangering Public Health.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

3.1 Applicants for the pre-registration examination must have:

- i) Obtained a minimum of Bachelor of Pharmacy Degree or its equivalent from an institution recognized by PCN.
- ii) Undergone the statutory continuous internship training programme for not less than one year under a registered pharmacist in an approved internship training centre.
- iii) Obtained the certificate of experience, signed and sealed by the Preceptor.
- iv) Applicants trained outside Nigeria and not registered/licensed in the country of training, in addition to the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Orientation Programme (FPGOP), shall undertake the internship training programme to qualify for the pre-registration examination.

4.0 APPLICATION PROCEDURE

4.1 After completion of the internship training programme the pharmacist seeking to sit for the pre-registration examination shall formally apply by forwarding the following documents to the Registrar:

- i. Duly completed and endorsed **Form P** (Application Form for Pre-registration Examination (**Appendix 1**) endorsed by the internship preceptor.
 - ii. Two recent passport sized photographs of the applicant, duly authenticated by the internship preceptor (***Preceptor should apply his seal on all affixed passport photographs***)
 - iii. Photocopies of Statement of Result or Degree Certificate, Certificate of Experience and Certificate of Provisional Registration.
 - iv. Evidence of payment of the prescribed fee.
 - v. Evidence of successful completion of the FPGOP(where applicable)
- 4.2** All completed application forms shall reach the Registrar not later than 30 days to the date of the examination.
- 4.3** Applicants who have forwarded the above documents and found qualified shall be given examination numbers.

5.0 GENERAL GUIDELINES

Intending candidates for the pre-registration examination should visualize the connection between the undergraduate pharmacy training and the pre-registration internship training where they are exposed to practice competences. Therefore, the following shall apply:

- i) Standards for accreditation of internship training centres shall be harmonized with the competences the interns are expected to acquire during the training.
- ii) All interns shall be exposed to the basic pharmacy practice areas such as Community, Industrial, Academic, Hospital and Administrative.
- iii) Internship centres must provide facilities and opportunities for the interns to acquire the required competences during the training period.
- iv) PCN should facilitate implementation of exposure of interns to all areas of pharmacy practice during internship training programme.
- v) An optional tutorial shall be introduced before the pre-registration examination.
- vi) Nationwide sensitization for preceptors shall be organized to standardize internship training programme.
- vii) Pharmacy practice experience is required in the following six competence domains: pharmaceutical care (including pharmacotherapy), public health pharmacy, organization & management, personal/professional management, drug production & quality assurance

6.0 THE EXAMINATION

- i) The examination shall hold twice in a year, March and October.

- ii) Candidates are to collect and submit application form from PCN offices nationwide or download form from PCN Website.

6.1 Fee for the Examination

The examination fee to be charged shall be as prescribed by the PCN and shall be subject to periodic review.

6.2 Pass Mark & Sitting for Examination

- i. The pass mark shall be 50%.
- ii. A candidate shall be eligible to sit for the examination to a maximum of four (4) attempts, upon the payment of prescribed fee and fulfillment of other conditions.
- iii. If a candidate has failed four times, he/she shall be required to undergo a refresher programme as may be prescribed by PCN before making one (1) more attempt.

6.3 Centres for the Examination

- i. The examination shall take place in Universities with recognized Faculties of Pharmacy in addition to Lagos and Abuja.
- ii. Each geopolitical zone in the country shall have at least one examination centre.
- iii. The examination centre within a zone shall be rotated among the Universities in the Zone, considering centre efficiency, security and such other considerations.
- iv. The Council shall send two external supervisors to each of the examination centres, one of whom shall be a staff of PCN.
- v. There shall be invigilators at the examination centres.

6.4 Examination Questions and Conduct of the Examination

- i. The examination shall be by multiple choice questions, covering the syllabus.
- ii. Two hundred (200) multiple choice questions shall be administered in two (02) hours.
- iii. The prescribed duration of the examination as indicated on the examination paper shall be strictly adhered to.
- iv. Candidates shall write their examination numbers on both the question papers and answer sheet.
- v. Candidates shall answer questions directly on the multiple choice answer sheet provided by shading the appropriate lettered option using Hb pencil.
- vi. Both question papers and answer sheets must be submitted at the end of the examination.
- vii. On no account should a candidate leave the examination hall with either the question paper, answer sheet or any part thereof.

- viii. Only candidates whose names appear on the official list of candidates shall be admitted into the examination hall.
- ix. Candidates shall dress formally.
- x. Candidates are expected to arrive at the examination venue at least one hour before the scheduled time of examination (usually 9.00 hr).
- xi. Each candidate shall produce a copy of the duly endorsed and detached application slip as proof of identity.
- xii. Cellular telephones and other digital devices shall not be brought into the examination hall.
- xiii. Candidates shall not leave the examination venue during the examination without the permission of the invigilator. In the event of a candidate leaving the examination hall temporarily he/she shall be accompanied by an invigilator.
- xiv. Candidates shall not be allowed into the examination hall 30 minutes after commencement of the examination.
- xv. Candidates shall not be permitted to submit answer scripts and/or leave the examination hall 30 minutes to the end of the examination.
- xvi. Candidates must sign examination attendance sheet at the commencement of the examination.
- xvii. Candidates must also sign the attendance sheet at the conclusion of the examination.
- xviii. The invigilator is officially in control of the examination and shall be obeyed in all matters pertaining to the examination.

6.5 Examination Instructions

- i) Candidates shall be encouraged to read and understand the instructions for the examination because they form part of the examination.
- ii) Failure to follow examination instructions is tantamount to examination failure.

6.6 Absence from Examination

- i. Unauthorized absence from the examination shall be regarded as a failure.
- ii. A candidate who is absent from the examination on account of illness or genuine emergency shall be required to report to the Registrar not later than a week after the examination. Such a candidate shall present himself/herself at the next available opportunity for the examination.

- iii. The invigilator shall document and report to the Registrar, all incidences during the examination such as: illness, examination offences; misconduct and malpractice.

6.7 Appeal and Procedures for Remarking

- i. Candidates who have genuine complaints concerning their results may apply for their answer scripts to be re-marked.
- ii. To appeal means the candidate is contesting the result on the grounds that it is wrong for some reasons.
- iii. The remarking shall be undertaken by an independent assessor who did not participate in the conduct of the examination under reference.
- iv. The fee payable for the remarking service shall be the same as the fee for the examination.
- v. Where the complaint is found to be meritorious, the candidate shall be entitled to refund of the amount paid for remarking.
- vi. Remarking requests must be made within 14 days from the date of publication of the results.
- vii. The Registrar shall consider the appeal within 14 days.

6.8 Examination Offences and Penalties

- i. Any candidate involved in an examination offence shall be required to complete an examination incidence form and hand it over to the invigilator.
- ii. The offending candidate shall be allowed to complete the examination.
- iii. Where the candidate refuses to complete the form, he/she shall be sent out of the examination hall.
- iv. The under listed offences and penalties (Table 1), and others, which may be added from time to time as the need arises shall apply.

Table 1: Examination Offences and Penalties

EXAMINATION OFFENCE	PENALTY
1. Proven fore-knowledge of examination questions (leakage)	Candidate shall be barred for 2 years and any implicated staff shall be sanctioned
2. Communicating by word or other ways with other candidate/s	Caution; Relocation of candidate; Cancellation of paper on persistence
3. Unauthorized movement during the examination	Caution
4. Impersonation	Candidates shall be barred for 2 years

5. Possession of all unauthorized items	Candidate shall be barred for 1 year
6. Removal or attempt to remove examination materials from the examination hall	Candidate shall be barred for 1 year
7. Copying from another candidate	Cancellation of paper
8. Assault on the examiner, invigilator or fellow candidate.	Candidate shall be barred for 2 years
9. Failure to complete examination incidence Form	Candidate shall be barred for 2 years
10. Failure to appear before Misconduct Panel	Candidate shall be barred until candidate appears before the Misconduct Panel

6.9 Procedure for Dealing with Examination Offences

- i) Every examination offence and malpractice shall be documented during the examination and reported to the Registrar.
- ii) Results of candidates implicated in an examination malpractice shall be withheld pending investigation.
- iii) A written letter shall be addressed to the alleged offender and the invigilator to appear before the Misconduct Panel, at least 10 days before their first sitting.
- iv) All documents and materials involved in the incidence shall be tendered in evidence.
- v) If the alleged offender fails to appear before the Misconduct Panel without any reasonable cause, except on medical grounds, he/she shall be barred from writing the PEP examination until the candidate appears before the Panel. However, if a genuine reason is presented, the candidate shall be given another opportunity to appear before the Misconduct Panel.
- vi) The recommendation of the Misconduct Panel shall be submitted to the Registrar for ratification by the Council.

6.10 Involvement of PCN Staff/Resource persons and Others in Examination Leakage or Other Misconducts

Where a PCN staff, resource person(s) or others are implicated in examination misconduct, the Panel's report shall be sent to the Registrar for disciplinary action of the Council.

7.0 COMPETENCES EXPECTED OF INTERN PHARMACISTS IN NIGERIA

Though internship training experience can be acquired in diverse practice settings, this should reflect the current changing roles of the pharmacist; noting that pharmaceutical care is the current philosophy of practice. Where a practice setting does not offer all the aspects of the required experience, an arrangement should be made for split-site or rotational training experience. Noting that interns in Nigeria are paid employees, rotation arrangements are left flexible. The practice settings are:

- Hospitals – Tertiary and Secondary Health Facilities
- Community Pharmacies (rotation required)
- Industry (rotation required)
- Regulatory Agencies (rotation required)
- Academia (rotation required)

Interns should be aware that the purpose of the training is for them to work under the supervision of an experienced pharmacist to enable them acquire the relevant knowledge, attitudes, skills, and behaviors to become independent pharmacist practitioners after registration with the PCN. It is a professional responsibility of the interns to strive to improve on their level of competence through a life-long self-directed learning process. Therefore, pharmacists go through four stages of professional competence:

- Knowing what to do
- Knowing how to do
- Showing how to do, and
- Doing

Pharmacy practice experience is required in the following six competence domains:

1. Pharmaceutical Care (Patient Focus) – Establishing Professional Relationship With Patients; Collecting Patient Specific Objective and Subject Data; Evaluating Data to Identify Drug Therapy Problems; Patient & Drug-Focused Interventions; Outcome Assessment; and Documentation.
2. Supply of Medicines (Product Focus) – Compounding of Medicines; Dispensing of Medicines and Information; and Monitoring/ Evaluation.

3. Public Health (Population Focus) – Health Promotion; Health information & Education; Disease Prevention in Populations.
4. Organization & Management (System Focus) – Budget & Health Care Financing; Human Resource Management; Quality Management; Conflict Management; Logistics & Supply Chain Management; Workplace Management.
5. Professional/ Personal Management (Practice Focus) – Communication Skills; Continuing Professional Development; Legal & Regulatory Practice; Professional & Ethical Practice; Research in Workplace; Self- Management.
6. Drug Production & Quality Assurance (Product Focus) – Unit Operations for Manufacturing Sterile and Non Sterile Pharmaceuticals, current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP), Standard Operating Procedures.

A broad framework for these competences with some specific behaviors is given in Table 2.

7.1 Table 2: Expected Competences and Behaviors

Competences	Behaviours
Pharmaceutical Care	Demonstrate a caring attitude towards patients Interview patients and caregivers to obtain histories: social, medical, drug, adherence etc Obtain patient objective data from appropriate sources Identify drug therapy problems and Reporting to Preceptors Identify evidence-based pharmacotherapeutic and lifestyle management options Counsel patients Provide medication reconciliation Develop monitoring parameters Document activities
Supply of Medicines	Determine calculations and prepare extemporaneous medicines using cGMP Assess prescriptions for correctness, completeness, and cost

	<p>Accurately dispense medicines with appropriate labeling and advice</p> <p>Provide unit dose dispensing</p> <p>Document and act upon dispensing errors</p> <p>Demonstrate ability to effectively manage logistics and supply chain</p> <p>Demonstrate knowledge of veterinary drugs</p>
Public Health Pharmacy	<p>Assess the primary health care needs</p> <p>Advise on health promotion, disease prevention and control, and healthy lifestyle</p> <p>Report Adverse Drug Reactions (ADRs)</p>
Organization & Management	<p>Acknowledge the organizational structure and authority relationships</p> <p>Demonstrate ability to effectively analyze and manage financial data & budgetary information</p> <p>Ensure financial honesty and transparency</p> <p>Apply Drug Revolving Fund (DRF), Public Private Partnership (PPP) and National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) requirements</p> <p>Demonstrate organizational and management skills e.g. time management</p> <p>Recognize the value of pharmacy team and a multidisciplinary team</p> <p>Understand procurement methods and inventory management.</p>
Professional/ Personal Management	<p>Communicate effectively with patients and care-givers</p> <p>Collaborate with other health care workers</p> <p>Demonstrate awareness of professional code of ethics, professional structures & functions e.g. WHO, FIP, PCN, PSN, NAFDAC, NDLEA, MoH.</p>

	<p>Ensure confidentiality with patients and other health professionals</p> <p>Research in workplace</p> <p>Recognize own limitations</p> <p>Engage in life-long self-directed learning</p> <p>Be a good citizen</p>
Drug Production & Quality Assurance	<p>Perform unit operations in manufacturing of drugs</p> <p>Understand Quality Assurance</p> <p>Apply Standard Operating Procedures</p>

8.0 INTERNSHIP TRAINING/ PRE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION SYLLABUS

This syllabus serves as a guide for both the interns and the preceptors. Interns should understand that preceptors are employees of organizations whose primary responsibility is not to train interns. Therefore, the program should be trainee-centered and the intern takes responsibility for the learning process. Furthermore, the syllabus is competence-based, indicating that the trainees address their minds to acquiring specific competences that may be applicable to different practice settings.

8.1 PHARMACEUTICAL CARE COMPETENCES – Interns are expected to acquire competences in managing therapy of patients and communicating and collaborating effectively with patients and other health care givers. Knowledge and application of the following are required:

- Establishing professional relationship
- Patient interview
- Physical assessment techniques
- Laboratory values and their relevance
- Identification of drug therapy problems (DTPs) - including classification of DTPs, skills required to identify and resolve DTPs.
- Pharmaceutical care plans
- Patient focused interventions
- Medication reconciliation
- Evidence-based pharmacotherapeutic interventions in common communicable diseases, non-communicable diseases & injuries#
- Drugs, doses, routes, common side effects, and interactions.

- Pharmacokinetics of drugs – ADME and clinical applications
- Patient care outcomes: clinical, economic, humanistic
- Systems of documentation.

PHARMACOTHERAPY OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

- Malaria
- HIV/AIDS
- Tuberculosis
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Diarrhea
- Dysentery
- Worm infestations
- Cough & Common cold
- Pneumonia
- Typhoid fever
- Hepatitis B & C
- Meningitis
- Septicemia
- Otitis media/externa
- Eye infections
- Skin infections
- Antibiotic Stewardship
- Emerging and Re-emerging diseases eg Ebola, Lassa fever, Zika

PHARMACOTHERAPY OF NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

This should be based on the various systems. Knowledge of the pathophysiology and therapeutics; including life style management of the following:

Cardiovascular – Hypertension, Congestive Heart Failure, Angina Pectoris, & Acute Myocardial Infarction

Renal – Glomerulonephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome, Acute and Chronic Renal Failure

Respiratory – Bronchial Asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: Emphysema, Chronic Bronchitis.

Endocrine – Diabetes Mellitus

Musculoskeletal – Rheumatoid Arthritis & Osteoarthritis.

Gastrointestinal Tract – Peptic Ulcer Disease (Gastric & Duodenal ulcers, Gastroesophageal reflux disease; Hepatitis & Liver Cirrhosis

Mental Disorders (Management should include psychotherapy) – Psychiatric disorders (Anxiety, Mood disorders, schizophrenia, Sleep disorders, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorders, Alcoholism/Substance abuse); Neurological disorders (Seizures, Headache, Pain management, Parkinsonism)

Eye Disorders - Glaucoma

Cancers – Neoplasms (overview), Leukemia, Breast & Cervical Cancer, Prostate Cancer. Emphasis should be on risk factors and risk reduction.

Pain Management

Anemia – Types and Treatment

PHARMACOTHERAPY/ PHARMACEUTICAL CARE IN SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Attention should be given to peculiar characteristics and medication needs of

- Neonates & Pediatrics
- Pregnant women & Nursing mothers
- Elderly

HERBAL PHARMACOTHERAPY

- Herbal medicines and naturoceuticals in current use
- Clinical Application of Herbal Medicine
- Interactions with food and preparations
- Alternative/Complementary Therapies

INJURIES

- Management of burns
- First Aid

8.2 MEDICINES SUPPLY COMPETENCES - Trainees are expected to acquire the knowledge and skills and provide an effective service for the supply of:

- Prescribed medicines,
- Dressings,
- Appliances &
- Veterinary drugs

The ability to deliver such a service should be demonstrated by undertaking dispensing and by the effective management of dispensing undertaken by the pharmacy support staff. These include the ability to assess prescriptions for validity, correctness, completeness, and appropriateness for patients' clinical conditions:

- Correctly apply the steps in good dispensing practice
- Perform correct calculations
- Prepare extemporaneous medications
- Appropriately label medications
- Provide adequate medication education e.g. inhaler techniques
- Prescription record keeping including Form K
- Manage stock appropriately
- Provide Unit Dose Dispensing

- Know steps to take when prescription error is detected
- Apply literature sources: primary, secondary, & tertiary
- Conduct literature evaluation
- Participate in Journal Clubs
- Provide drug information service to patients/patrons and health professionals
- Know how to respond to drug information queries

Sale & Supply of Non-prescription medications:

- Trainees should know how to respond to symptoms presented over the counter
- First Aid
- Non-invasive point of care tests

8.3 PUBLIC HEALTH PHARMACY COMPETENCES – Know methods of health promotion and pharmaceutical devices/agents to promote health in populations.

- Concept & determinants of health
- Health promotion in the context of pharmacy practice
- Health screening as a basis for health promotion
- Health education & specific themes
- Disease prevention
- Drug induced diseases
- Pharmacovigilance
- Drug Abuse
- Fake/Counterfeit/Substandard/falsified/diverted medicines
- Role of pharmacists in immunization
- Immunization schedules
- Vaccine storage
- Role of pharmacists in primary health care
- Involvement of pharmacists in community health programs

8.4 ORGANIZATION & MANAGEMENT COMPETENCES

- Drug procurement in public health facilities
- Logistics & Supply Chain Management
- National Health Insurance Scheme
- Drug Revolving Fund
- National Drug Policy
- Essential Drugs List
- Hospital Formularies

- Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committees
- Standard Treatment Guidelines
- Organizational Structure
- Principles of decision making
- Principles of short & long term planning
- Human resource management
- Leadership
- Time management
- Stress management
- Conflict management & negotiation skills
- Collaboration & team roles
- Mentoring in pharmacy practice
- Use of ICT in pharmacy practice

8.5 PROFESSIONAL/ PERSONAL MANAGEMENT COMPETENCES

- Structure and functions of the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN Constitution)
- Structure and Functions of the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria (PCN Act)
- Structure & Functions of NAFDAC (NAFDAC Act)
- Pharmacy Laws
- Drug laws
- Code of Ethics, Professional Standards & Guidance including concepts of good decision making, liability, accountability, and professional responsibility; Standards of Professional Performance; Principles & Obligations; Standards of Good Professional Practice; Purpose & Principles of Clinical Governance; Application of Clinical Governance in Pharmacy practice
- Practice Regulation including: Procedure for Regulation; Licensing of Premises; Disciplinary Procedures & Sanctions; Roles/ Responsibilities of Superintendent Pharmacists & Pharmacy Technicians
- Concept of Life-long learning
- Learning Cycle
- Concept of Continuing Professional Development
- Competence-Based Pharmacy Education
- Presentation Skills

8.6 DRUG PRODUCTION & QUALITY ASSURANCE COMPETENCES – Trainees are expected to understand drug manufacturing processes and the role of quality assurance in promoting access to genuine medicines.

- Pharmaceutical Production

- Weighing
- Mixing/ Granulation / Preparation
- Compression / Encapsulation / Filling
- Packaging & Labeling
- Equipment, Operational & Process Qualification
- Validation & Calibration
- Documentation & Record Keeping
- Yield Reconciliation
- Concepts of Quality Control, Quality Assurance, Good Manufacturing Practice, & Standard Operating Procedures
- Pharmaceutical Marketing.

APPENDIX 1: APPLICATION FORM

PHARMACISTS COUNCIL OF NIGERIA

Form P

(Established by Act Cap P17 LFN 2004)

APPLICATION FOR PRE-REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FOR PHARMACISTS

To: The Registrar
Pharmacists Council of Nigeria
Plot 7/9 Idu Industrial Layout
P.M.B. 415, Garki, Abuja
Tel: 08036875867
E-mail: pcniq@yahoo.ca (Change to PCN Domain)
Website: www.pcn.gov.ng.



5.11.
SURNAME (IN CAPITAL) OTHER NAMES

of
(Permanent home address)

Phone No: Email:

Gender: Male Female

Date of Birth.....

5.2 Name of Institution attended with date.....

5.3. a. Name of Internship Training Centre and Address:

b. Institution certificate number and date.....

Preceptor:.....

i) Designation:.....

ii) Year of qualification:.....

iii) Full Registration Number:.....

iv) Current annual license to practice (Number and date):.....

5.4. Areas of Pharmacy Practice Exposure during the Internship Training (Tick as appropriate)

- (a) Academic
- (b) Administrative
- (c) Community
- (d) Hospital
- (e) Industrial
- (f) Research
- (g) Others

5.5. Date of completion of internship training.....

5.6. Have you previously applied for registration with the Council? Yes /No If Yes, state date(s) of application.....

(a) Do you have a Pre-registration Examination (PEP) Number (If applicable).....

(b) Choice of Exam Centre.....

5.7 Attached herewith:

- (a) A duly completed Application Form (Form P)
- (b) Photocopy of Statement of Result/Degree Certificate
- (c) Photocopy of Certificate of Provisional Registration
- (d) Photocopy of Certificate of Experience
- (e) Two passport sized photographs of the applicant duly authenticated by the preceptors

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(f) Evidence of successful completion of the FPGOP (where applicable)

5.8. Preferred Zone for the Examination:

- (a) South East Zone
- (b) South West Zone
- (c) South South Zone
- (d) North east Zone
- (e) North West zone
- (f) North Central Zone
- (g) Abuja Zone
- (h) Lagos Zone

5.9. **DECLARATION BY APPLICANT**

I.....
(Surname First) (Other Names)

DECLARE THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THE ABOVE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS CORRECT AND COMPLETE.

Signature..... Date.....

5.10. **ATTESTATION BY THE PRECEPTOR**

I..... hereby attest that the above information provided by applicant is to the best of my information, knowledge and belief correct and complete.

Name and Signature of Preceptor.....

Current Annual License Number with date.....

Date.....

Phone number..... email.....

(Please detach and bring to the examination venue as a means of identification)

Name and signature of applicant.....

Institution attended with dates.....

Name and signature of preceptor.....

Current Annual License number with date.....



(Preceptor should apply his seal on all affixed passport photographs)

APPENDIX 2: LIST OF APPROVED FACULTIES OF PHARMACY

S/No	Zone	Faculty of Pharmacy
1.	North Central	University of Jos, Jos, Plateau state
2.	North East	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri, Borno State
3.	North West	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Kaduna State
		Usmanu Danfodio University, Sokoto, Sokoto State
4.	South East	University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State
		Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State
5.	South West	University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Oyo State
		University of Lagos, Lagos State
		Olabisi Onabanjo University, Sagamu, Ogun State
		Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun State
6.	South South	University of Benin, Benin, Benin City, Edo State
		Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State
		Madonna University, Elele, Rivers State
		Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State
		University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt, Rivers State
		Niger Delta University, Wilberforce Island, Bayelsa State
		Delta State University, Abraka, Delta State

APPENDIX 3: PCN ZONAL AND STATE OFFICES NATIONWIDE

S/No	Zonal/State	Office Address
1.	Head Office/Registry	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Plot 7/9 Idu Industrial Layout, Idu, P.M.B. 415, Garki, Abuja.
2.	Abuja Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Block 38, No. 1.52, Phase 1, Old Secretary to the Government of the Federation Office, Federal Secretariat, Garki, Abuja.
3.	Lagos Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Medical Compound, Edmond Crescent, Yaba, Lagos.
4.	North-Central Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Umar Farouk Bahago Road, Near School of Health Technology, Minna, Niger State.
5.	Benue State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Block B, West FF, Room 3 Federal Secretariat Complex, Makurdi, Benue State.
6.	Kogi State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Kogi State Office Lokongoma Phase 1 Behind pacific Hotel Lokoja.
7.	Kwara State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Ground Floor, Federal Secretariat Complex, Fate Road, Ilorin, Kwara, State.
8.	Nasarawa State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, New State Secretariat Complex, Ministry of Health, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
9.	Niger State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Umar Farouk Bahago Road, Near School of Health Technology, Minna, Niger State.
10.	Plateau State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, 1 ST Floor, Federal Secretariat Complex, Jos, Plateau State.

11.	North-East Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria Along Murtala Mohammed Way, Bauchi, Bauchi State.
12.	Adamawa State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Adamawa State Office Room 229 Federal Secretariat Jemata-Yola, Adamawa State.
13.	Bauchi State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria Along Murtala Mohammed Way, Bauchi, Bauchi State.
14.	Borno State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 2043/2044 Federal Secretariat Complex, Maiduguri, Borno State.
15.	Gombe State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Off David mark Road Along NYSC Zonal Secretariat Gombe.
16.	Taraba State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, C/O Taraba State Essential Drug Programme, Adjacent TSBS, Anguwan Kassa, Jalingo, Taraba State.
17.	Yobe State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, 2 ND Floor, Federal Secretariat Complex, Damaturu, Yobe State.
18.	North-West Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria North West Zonal Office Plot No.43 and 45 Ibrahim Bako Road 770, 483c Kurmi Marshi layout Kaduna.
19.	Jigawa State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room B225, Federal Secretariat Complex, Jigawa Road, Dutse, Jigawa State.
20.	Kaduna state office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria State Office Plot No.43 and 45 Ibrahim Bako Road 770, 483c Kurmi Marshi layout.
21.	Kano State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria,

		Medical Stores, 2, Ibrahim Taiwo Road Kano, Kano State.
22.	Katsina State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 338, Federal Secretariat Complex, Katsina, Katsina State.
23.	Kebbi State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, 3 rd Floor, Federal Secretariat Complex, Gwadanji, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi, State.
24.	Sokoto State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 3.0A38, 3.08B, & 3.039, Federal Secretariat Complex, Kaduna Road, Sokoto, Sokoto State.
25.	Zamfara State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Zabarma Road, Tudun Wada Quarters, Gusau, Zamfara State.
26.	South-East Office	Zonal Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, 8, Temple Avenue, GRA Enugu, Enugu State.
27.	Abia State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 45, Pharmacy Department, Ministry of Health, Nnamdi Azikwe Secretariat, Umuahia, Abia State.
28.	Anambra State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, State Central Medical Store, Amaku Hospital Road, Awka, Anambra State.
29.	Ebonyi State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Flat 5, No 3, Douglas Ogbonna Street, Atikpo Road, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
30.	Enugu State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, 8, Temple Avenue, GRA Enugu, Enugu State.
31.	Imo State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Block 6, Ministry of Health, Orlu Road secretariat, Owerri, Imo State.
32.	South-South Office	Zonal Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Along Ring-Road II, Off UdoUdoam Avenue, Uyo, Akwa-Ibom State.

33.	Akwa-Ibom State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Along Ring-Road II, Off UdoUdoma Avenue, Uyo, Akwa-Ibom State.
34.	Bayelsa State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, C/O Pharmacy Department, Federal Medical Centre, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State.
35.	Cross River State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Federal Secretariat Complex, Murtala Muhammed High-way, Calabar, Cross-River State.
36.	Delta State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 117,118 Federal Secretariat Complex, Asaba, Delta State.
37.	Edo State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, The Basement Federal Secretariat Complex, Aduwawa, Benin City, Edo State.
38.	Rivers State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 41, 4 th Floor, Block A, State Ministry of Health, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State.
39.	South-West Zonal Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Plot 1, Block XXI (21) Kolapo Ishola GRA, Akobo, Ibadan, Oyo State.
40.	Ekiti State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 14, Ekiti State Health Data Bank Building, Ministry of Health, State Secretariat, Ado- Ekiti, Ekiti State.
41.	Ogun State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Federal Secretariat Complex, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta, Ogun State.
42.	Ondo State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Room 229, Federal Secretariat Complex, Akure, Ondo State.
43.	Osun State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Suite 204, First floor, Amazing Grace Plaza, Okefia, Osogbo, Osun State.
44.	Oyo State Office	Pharmacists Council of Nigeria, Plot 1, Block XXI (21)

		KolapoIshola GRA, Akobo, Ibadan, Oyo State.
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APPENDIX 4: EXPLANATORY NOTES

Applicant: A Pharmacist who has indicated interest to sit for the pre-registration examination.

Approved Internship training centre: This is an Institution accredited by the PCN for internship training of Pharmacists after graduation.

Certificate of Experience (Form D): This is the certificate given to Pharmacists on successful completion of internship training programme.

Certificate of Provisional Registration (Form G): This is the certificate given to Pharmacists after administration of the Pharmacists Oath granting them the authority to undertake the internship training programme.

Competences for Entry-Stage Pharmacists: Minimum standards (knowledge, skills, abilities and judgment) acquired by Pharmacists who have completed the one year statutory internship training programme.

Eligibility Criteria: Conditions to be fulfilled by every applicant wishing to sit for the pre-registration examination.

Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Orientation Programme (FPGOP): This is a programme organized by Pharmacists Council of Nigeria for Pharmacists of Nigerian origin whose Pharmacy Degree was conferred by a recognized School of Pharmacy outside Nigeria.

Governing Council: This is the approved Government body that oversees and directs the activities of the Registry of the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria (PCN). The Governing Council formulates policies and takes related decisions.

Intern: A Pharmacist undertaking the statutory one (1) year continuous internship training programme.

PCN: Pharmacists Council of Nigeria (“the Council”) is a parastatal of the Federal Government established by the PCN Act, CAP P17 LFN 2004 and charged with the responsibility among others of regulating and controlling the Pharmacy education, training and practice in all aspects and ramifications.

PEP (Pre-registration Examination for Pharmacists): A compulsory examination to be undertaken by every Pharmacist, after the internship training programme.

Pharmacist: A fresh Pharmacy graduate who has undergone Internship training.

Preceptor: A Pharmacist with not less than five (5) year post-graduation experience who coordinates the day to day activities of the intern throughout his internship training programme.

Pre-registration examination: Examination to be undertaken by a Pharmacist on completion of Internship training programme.