

## ASEAN Member States' Policy for Temporary Licensing and Registration

The provisions for temporary licensing or temporary registration have been in existence for many years. There are differences in the category of activity. The common provision among AMS is on allowing temporary permit or license for humanitarian services. There are also provisions for limited practice, training, expert visits.

The ten ASEAN Member States have already agreed on conferring **temporary licensing or temporary registration** on the following 5 areas::

1. Limited Practice
2. Expert Visits
3. Education and Training
4. Humanitarian Missions
5. Research

and below matrices lay out the different policies of ASEAN Member States on the above 5 areas.

There are different **mechanisms of mobility** and the matrices below will indicate which will be applicable to the different areas of temporary licensing:

1. refers to an independent medical practitioner who applies directly to a healthcare institution, Once approved, he/she will then inform the PMRA of the country of origin, and request for a certificate of good standing. He/She will then present his credentials to the PMRA of the host country, and request for “endorsement or clearance” to be admitted by the institution.
2. refers to an independent medical practitioner applies to the PMRA of his/her country of origin, providing information on his plans to apply for foreign employment in a country of his choice. The PMRA evaluates his qualifications, and favourably endorses the professional. The PMRA provides a certificate of good standing. He/She then applies to the PMRA of the host country, for endorsement and clearance, after which he applies to the healthcare institution.
3. refers to an independent medical practitioner applies directly to healthcare institution. The institution will communicate with PMRA of host country for endorsement or clearance. If endorsed or cleared, the healthcare institution can proceed to bring in the independent medical practitioner

## 1. Limited Practice<sup>1</sup>

Country	Temporary Licensing/Registration	Private or Government	Mechanism of Mobility <sup>2</sup> (1,2 and/or 3)	Requirements and conditions	Duration
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	Up to one year
Cambodia	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations,</li> <li>Subject to monitoring and evaluation of performance annually,</li> <li>Submission of annual formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	1 year (renewable)
Indonesia	Yes	Both	2 and 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> <li>Subject to monitoring and evaluation of performance annually</li> <li>Submission of annual formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> <li>For the license valid only for specialized institutions not at primary care level (GP)</li> </ul>	1 year (renewable subject to evaluation by institution, Ministry of Health and Indonesia Medical Council)
Lao PDR	Yes	Both	1 and 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	According to the period of the project but up to 1 year (renewable).
Malaysia	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulation,</li> <li>Supervised practice by fully registered medical practitioner,</li> <li>Limited to place of practice</li> </ul>	3 months (renewable)
Myanmar	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulation</li> <li>Limited to place of practice and specialty</li> <li>National fully registered counterpart required</li> </ul>	1 year (renewable)

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the above headnote on five areas of temporary licensing and registration.

<sup>2</sup> Please refer to the above headnote on different mobility mechanisms.

Philippines	Yes	Both	1 and 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compliance to domestic regulations,</li> <li>• Subject to monitoring and evaluation of performance</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	1 year (renewable)
Singapore	Yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information</li> </ul>	up to 4 years
Thailand	Yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	According to the period of the project but not more than 1 year (renewable)
Viet Nam	Temporary license for Foreign MD	Both	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In compliance with the domestic regulations</li> </ul>	1 year and renewable

## 2. Expert Visit<sup>1</sup>

Country	Limited Practice	Private or Government	Mechanism of Mobility (1,2 and/or 3)	Requirements and conditions	Duration
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	Up to one year
Cambodia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration at Medical Council Cambodia</li> <li>Letter of endorsement from the hosting agency/Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Health</li> <li>Limited practice in terms of scope, period and place</li> </ul>	1 year renewable
Indonesia	Yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only for foreign medical qualification which is not available or limited in the country</li> <li>Submission a formal report</li> </ul>	Maximal 1 month
Lao PDR	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under supervision of host institution,</li> <li>Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> <li>Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	According to the period of the activity, up to one year (renewable on request)
Malaysia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adhere to domestic regulations. Refer to Malaysian Medical Council website <a href="http://www.mmc.gov.my">www.mmc.gov.my</a></li> </ul>	3 months and renewable (TPC)
Myanmar	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With collaboration of comparatively qualified national practitioner</li> <li>Limited to place, speciality and period of practice</li> </ul>	Up to one year (renewable)
Philippines	Yes	Both	1, 2 and 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special procedures (except for lecturing)</li> </ul>	Depends upon request
Singapore	yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information</li> </ul>	Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information

Thailand	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government</li> <li>• Joint project between Government and Private</li> </ul>	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> </ul>	According to the period of the project but not more than 1 year (renewable)
Viet Nam	<u>yes</u>	<u>Government and Private</u>	<u>1 and 2</u>	<u>Must be approved by the Ministry of Health, under the supervision of the local institutions. Limited in terms of scope.</u>	<u>According to the period of the project.</u>

### 3. Education and Training<sup>1</sup>

Country	Limited Practice	Private or Government	Mechanism of Mobility (1,2 and/or 3)	Requirements and conditions	Duration
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	Up to one year
Cambodia	yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration at Medical Council Cambodia</li> <li>Letter of endorsement from the hosting agency/Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Health</li> <li>Limited practice in terms of scope, period and place</li> </ul>	1 year renewable
Indonesia	Yes	Both	3	<p><b>Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a trainee : Collaboration with teaching institution or professional medical institution or professional organisation counter parts,</li> <li>As a trainer : Should be Specialist or equivalent with the specific additional qualification</li> </ul> <p><b>Education</b></p> <p>Foreign student :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only with accredited university/institution</li> <li>Limited number (not more than quota)</li> <li>Have a temporary licencing</li> </ul> <p><b>Lecturer:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should be Specialist or equivalent with the specific additional qualification</li> <li>Have a temporary licencing</li> <li>Comply with ministry of labor administration requirements</li> </ul>	<p>Training: not more than 60 days</p> <p>Education : depend on duration of study/program</p> <p>One year</p>

Lao PDR	Yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of host institution,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	According to the period of the activity, up to one year (renewable on request)
Malaysia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adhere to domestic regulations. Refer to both requirements of MMC and Ministry of Education Malaysia</li> </ul>	Refer MMC website
Myanmar	Yes	Both	3	<p><b>As a trainer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of comparative qualified national practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of the education course/ training program</li> <li>• Submission of training materials</li> </ul> <p><b>As a trainee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of the education course/ training program</li> </ul>	According to the period of the education course/ training program
Philippines	Yes	Both	1,2 and 3	<p><b>Documents from the country of origin:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification of complete MD programme</li> <li>• Registration from country of origin</li> </ul>	Depend on study/training programme
Singapore	yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information</li> </ul>	Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information
Thailand	yes	Government Joint project between	3	<p><b>As a trainer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of the education course/ training program</li> </ul>	According to the period of the education course/ training program.

		Government and Private		<b>As a trainee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of the education course/ training program</li> <li>• Submission of formal report</li> </ul>	Renewable every year
Viet Nam	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Both</u>	<u>1 and 2</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Must be approved by the Ministry of Health</u></li> </ul>	<u>According to the training period.</u>



#### 4. Humanitarian Missions<sup>1</sup>

Country	Limited Practice	Private or Government	Mechanism of Mobility (1,2 and/or 3)	Requirements and conditions	Duration
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Both	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	Up to one year
Cambodia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration at Medical Council Cambodia</li> <li>Letter of endorsement from the hosting agency/Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Health</li> <li>Limited practice in terms of scope, period and place</li> </ul>	1 year renewable
Indonesia	Yes	Both	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaboration with government hospital and professional medical institution</li> <li>Under Supervised by licensed medical practitioners and designated by PMRA</li> <li>Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes) from the country of origin</li> </ul>	1 week or more
Lao PDR	Yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under supervision of host institution,</li> <li>Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> <li>Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	According to the period of the activity, up to one year (renewable on request)
Malaysia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adhere to domestic regulations. Refer to Malaysian Medical Council(MMC) website</li> </ul>	3 months and renewable (TPC)
Myanmar	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulation</li> <li>Limited to place of practice and specialty</li> <li>National fully registered counterpart required</li> </ul>	1 year (renewable)

Philippines	yes	Both	1, 2 and 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification of the requested specialty</li> <li>• Updated registration from country of origin</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	Duration of the mission (minimum of one week)
Singapore	yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information</li> </ul>	Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information
Thailand	yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government</li> <li>• Joint project between Government and Private</li> </ul>	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner,</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of practice</li> <li>• Maybe exempted for emergencies, disaster situations</li> </ul>	According to the period of the project but not more than 1 year (renewable)
Viet Nam	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Both</u>	<u>1 and 2</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Must work with a local institution</u></li> </ul>	<u>According to the period of the project.</u>

## 5. Research<sup>1</sup>

Country	Limited Practice	Private or Government	Mechanism of Mobility (1,2 and/or 3)	Requirements and conditions	Duration
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance to domestic regulations</li> </ul>	Up to one year
Cambodia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need Bio-ethic clearance</li> <li>Need to have Local institution to be involve</li> <li>Submission of report</li> </ul>	1 year renewable
Indonesia	Yes	Government	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fulfill the requirements of the ministry of labor</li> <li>Fulfill the requirements of the ministry of research</li> <li>Fulfill the protocol of health research</li> <li>Have a material transfer agreement (in case of transfer of Genetic resources)</li> <li>Have a research permit from authority bodies</li> <li>Have a competency certification from the PMRA country of origin</li> <li>Have a temporary licencing</li> <li>Minimum Doctoral degree and he/she has at least international research publication in a professional journal</li> <li></li> </ul>	1 year
Lao PDR	yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need Bio-ethic clearance</li> <li>Need to have Local institution to be involve</li> <li>Submission of report</li> </ul>	Up to 1 year renewable.
Malaysia	yes	both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adhere to domestic regulations. Refer to Malaysian Medical Council (MMC) website. See also Clinical Research Centre <a href="http://www.crc.gov.my">www.crc.gov.my</a></li> </ul>	3 months and renewable (TPC)

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Myanmar	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification of the requested specialty</li> <li>• Updated registration from country of origin</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes) through ethical and research regulatory board of the country</li> </ul>	Depending on the research project
Philippines	Yes	Both	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non patient-contact research not applicable.</li> <li>• Certification of the requested specialty</li> <li>• Updated registration from country of origin</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	1 year renewable
Singapore	yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information</li> </ul>	Refer to <a href="#">Singapore Medical Council website</a> for current information
Thailand	yes	Government	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under supervision of fully license medical practitioner</li> <li>• Limited to place, specialty and period of the research</li> <li>• Submission of formal report (i.e. patient outcomes)</li> </ul>	According to the period of the project but not more than 1 year (renewable)
Viet Nam				<p><b>Notes: Viet Nam will submit this information to the ASEAN Secretariat within 2 weeks' time (by 1 June 2016)</b></p>	