

Ministerial Regulation
On Professions and Number of Sanatorium Practitioners
B.E. 2558 (2015)

By virtue of Article 6 Paragraph One, Article 18 (4) and Article 35 (1) of the Sanatorium Act B.E. 2541 (1998), the Minister of Public Health hereby issues a ministerial regulation as follows:

Clause 1 The ministerial regulation on Professions and Number of Sanatorium Practitioners B.E. 2545 (2002) shall be revoked.

Clause 2 In this ministerial regulation,
“Non-overnight sanatorium” means the medical clinic type of sanatorium according to the ministerial regulation on Characteristics of Sanatoriums and Their Services

“Overnight sanatorium” means the hospital type of sanatorium according to the ministerial regulation on Characteristics of Sanatoriums and Their Services

Section1

Non-overnight sanatorium practitioners

Clause 3 The following clinics must provide at least one practitioner, whose names appear in the letters of intention for practicing in the licensee’s clinic in the format specified by the licenser and published in the Government Gazette, during the clinics’ operating hours.

(1) There must be a medical practitioner at medical clinics.

(2) There must be a dental practitioner at dental clinics.

(3) There must be a First Class nurse and midwifery practitioner or a First Class nurse practitioner at nursing and midwifery clinics.

(4) There must be a physical therapy at physical therapy clinics.

(5) There must be a medical technologist at medical technology clinics.

(6) There must be a Thai traditional medicine practitioner or an applied Thai traditional medicine practitioner in the field that the Thai traditional medicine clinics have a license to practice.

(7) There must be a practitioner in the art of healing in the field that the clinics have a license to practice.

(8) There must be a practitioner in the special field that the specialized clinics have a license to practice.

(9) There must be practitioners in all of the fields that the combined clinics have a license to practice.

In the case that the clinics in Paragraph One practice in the field that relies on the use of science or knowledge that is practiced overseas but has not yet been legally approved in Thailand according to the laws relating to the practice of the art of healing, the clinics must arrange to have a person who has a license to practice in such field on their staff.

Section 2

Overnight sanatorium practitioners

Clause 4 General hospitals must have the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on duty between the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 1 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Clause 5 Dental hospitals must have the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on duty during the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 2 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Clause 6 Nursing and midwifery hospitals must have the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on duty during the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 3 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Clause 7 Physical therapy hospitals must have the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on duty between the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 4 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Clause 8 Thai traditional medicine hospitals must provide the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on-duty between the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 5 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Clause 9 Specialized hospitals and hospitals for specific type of patients must have the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners on duty between the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 1 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation, *mutatis mutandis*.

Clause 10 Between the operating hours of 8.00 am to 8.00 pm the hospitals in Clause 4 to Clause 8 must provide the minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in their license, as appears in Table 10 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation.

Hospitals in Clause 9 must arrange to have a minimum number of full-time or part-time practitioners, which is determined by the number of hospital beds allowed in the license, as appears in Table 6 of the attachment to this ministerial regulation, *mutatis mutandis*.

Provisional Clauses

Clause 11 Non-overnight sanatoriums with a license to practice and a license to operate the sanatoriums that are already in existence prior to the date that this ministerial regulation became effective, must provide practitioners at the number specified by this ministerial regulation within ninety days of its effective date.

Clause 12 Overnight sanatoriums with a license to practice and a license to operate the sanatoriums that are already in existence prior to the date that this ministerial regulation became effective, must provide practitioners at the number specified by this ministerial regulation within one hundred and eighty days of its effective date.

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Attachment Tables to the Ministerial Regulation on Professions and Number of Sanatorium Practitioners B.E 2558 (2015)

Table 1 General Hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Medical practitioner	1	2	3	4	5	1 per 1 to 30 beds
1 st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	3	6	9	12	15	2 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1	1	2	3	3	per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2	3	3	1 per 1-60 beds
Physical therapy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2	3	3	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Practitioner in the art of healing, radiology technologist	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1	2	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 2 Dental hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Dentist practitioner	2	4	6	8	10	2 per 1 to 30 beds
1 st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	3	6	9	12	15	2 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	3 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	3 (if service available)	per 1 to 60 beds

Table 3 Nursing and midwifery hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
1 st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	3	6	9	12	15	2 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Physical therapy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	3 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 4 Physical therapy hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Physical therapy practitioner	2	4	6	8	10	2 per 1 to 30 beds
1st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	2	4	6	9	12	2 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	3 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 5 Thai traditional medicine hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Thai traditional medicine practitioner	1	2	3	4	5	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Applied Thai traditional medicine practitioner	1	2	3	4	5	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner of Thai traditional medicine	1	1	1	2	3	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 6 General Hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Medical practitioner	1	1	1	2	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
1st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	2	4	6	8	10	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1	1	1	1	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1	1	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Physical therapy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1	1	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Practitioner in the art of healing, radiology technologist	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1	1	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 7 Dental hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Dentist practitioner	1	1	1	2	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
1st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	1	2	4	6	8	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 8 Nursing and midwifery hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
1st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	2	4	6	8	10	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Medical technology practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds
Physical therapy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 9 Physical therapy hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Physical therapy practitioner	1	1	1	2	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
1st class nurse and midwifery practitioner	1	2	4	6	8	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	1 (if service available)	2 (if service available)	3 (if service available)	1 per 1 to 60 beds

Table 10 Thai traditional medicine hospitals

Practitioner	Number of practitioner					Ratio of practitioners to additional number of beds
	Small		Medium		Large	
	Not more than 10 beds	11 to 30 beds	31 to 60 beds	61 to 90 beds	91 to 120 beds	
Thai traditional medicine practitioner	1	1	1	2	2	1 per 1 to 30 beds
Pharmacy practitioner of Thai traditional medicine	1	1	1	1	2	1 per 1 to 60 beds
