

THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR GAZETTE

No. 5247 GIBRALTAR Thursday 14th August 2025

B. 18/25

BILL

FOR

AN ACT to amend the Medical and Health Act, 1997.

ENACTED by the Legislature of Gibraltar.

Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Medical and Health (Amendment) Act 2025.

Commencement.

2. This Act comes into operation on the day of publication.

Amendment to the Medical and Health Act, 1997.

3.(1) The Medical and Health Act, 1997 is amended in accordance with this section.

(2) In section 60(1) after the definition of “assemble” insert the following definition-

“authorised prescriber” means a person authorised to issue prescriptions in accordance with this Act or regulations made under it;”.

(3) In section 64(1) for “a medical practitioner” substitute “an authorised prescriber”.

(4) In section 66-

(a) for paragraph (ka) substitute-

“(ka) providing that certain nurses who have undertaken approved relevant training may have prescribing rights appropriate to that training in relation to such medicinal products as may be specified and subject to such exemptions, conditions and limitations as may be so prescribed;”;

(b) for paragraph (kc) substitute –

“(kc) providing that certain pharmacists who have undertaken specific training and acquired specific qualifications may have prescribing rights appropriate to that training in relation to such medicinal products as may be specified and subject to such exemptions, conditions and limitations as may be prescribed;”;

(c) after paragraph (kc) insert-

“(kd) providing that certain paramedics who have undertaken specific training and acquired specific qualifications may have prescribing rights appropriate to that training in relation to such medicinal products as may be specified and subject to such exemptions, conditions and limitations as may be prescribed;”.

(5) In section 72(4) for “medical practitioner” substitute “authorised prescriber”.

(6) In section 86 for “medical practitioner or dentist” substitute “authorised prescriber” in both places where it occurs.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill provides for regulation making powers in order to allow certain pharmacists, nurses and paramedics who have undertaken specific training and acquired certain qualifications to be given prescribing rights which may be such to such exemptions and conditions as may be specified in the regulations.