

Health Service (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 (No. 1)

It is hereby notified that the Health Service Commission, in terms of section 26 of the Health Service Act [*Chapter 15:16*] and with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Investment Promotion and the Minister of Health and Child Care, has made the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Health Service (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 (No. 1).
2. These regulations shall come into effect on the 1st January, 2025.
3. The Health Service Regulations, 2006, published in Statutory Instrument 117 of 2006, are amended—
 - (a) by the repeal of section 17 and the substitution of—

“Pensionable age and retirement

17. (1) Subject to section 18, a member appointed on pensionable terms of service, shall have a pensionable age of seventy years:

Provided that a member appointed before the effective date on pensionable terms of service shall have a pensionable age of sixty-five years unless the member elects to retire at seventy years of age and any retirement before the elected pensionable age of seventy shall be deemed to be early retirement.

(2) The Paymaster shall, on the 1st June each year, provide the head of Ministry or department with a list of members who will reach the age of sixty-five years and seventy years during the ensuing year.

(3) The Commission may, when it is in the interest of the health service to do so, permit a member whose pensionable age is sixty-five, to continue to serve beyond the age of sixty-five years for periods determined by it which shall not go beyond the age of seventy years.”;

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- (b) in section 18 by the repeal of subsections (1) and (2) as follows—

“(1) A member may, on giving three months’ notice of retirement be permitted by the Commission to retire before pensionable age at any time after attaining the age of sixty.

(2) The Commission may, on giving the equivalent appropriate period of notice prescribed under of section 15(2) for the resignation of a member, require a member to retire on or after the date on which such member attains the age of sixty.”.