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TAMIL NADU STATE MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

Institute of Mental Health Campus, Medavakkam Tank Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600 010

In pursuance of the provisions contained in Section 55(d) of Mental Healthcare Act,2017 and in accordance with the decision taken in first annual meeting 2019 of the Authority it has been decided Tamil Nadu State Authority shall maintain a register of practicing mental health professionals such as Clinical Psychologists, Mental Health Nurses and Psychiatric Social Workers. For this purpose, the definitions of the categories of mental health professionals namely clinical Psychologists, mental health nurses and psychiatric Social Workers as provided under clauses (g),(q) and (x) of section 2(1) of Mental Healthcare Act ,2017 (available on the egazette in the following link http://www.egazette.nic.in/writereaddata/2017/175248.pdf) respectively are eligible for registration. The register proposed to be maintained by the State authority, will be in digital form and it contains the names, professional qualifications, and contact details of the mental health professionals. The list will be available on the Authority's website and updated every month.

All the existing mental health professionals in the State of Tamil Nadu, belonging to the above mentioned categories of professionals are requested get registered with the State Authority. They may down load application form available in www.tnhealth.tn.gov.in and submit it along with copies of relevant certificates / documents, by post/speed post/by hand to Chief Executive Officer Tamil Nadu State Mental Health Authority, Institute of Mental Health Campus, Medavakkam Tank Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600 010 accompanied with a registration fee of Rs.500 (Rupees five hundred only) by way of Demand Draft drawn in favour of The Chief Executive Officer, Tamil Nadu State Mental Health Authority, Chennai.

- 1. The registration will be valid for a period of five years from the date of registration.
- 2. The registered mental health professional shall apply for re-registration once in five years along with re-registration fee of Rs.500/-
- 3. Every year, as on 1st January, the State Authority shall publish district-wise, a state list of mental health professionals and it shall be displayed on Authority's website.

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