



Accreditation process briefing to his excellency Sh. Mohammed by CEO Al Jalahma and Dr. Skalkidis accreditation consultant.

## Will make a quantum leap in the quality of health services,

### President of the Supreme Council of Health: The Kingdom of Bahrain officially begins the implementation of the National Accreditation Program for Health Care Facilities

#### NHRA: Surveyors initiate comprehensive assessment visits to the first two hospitals

The President of the Supreme Council of Health, Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, announced the start of the implementation of the national accreditation program for health care facilities. NHRA has qualified surveyors who have been selected based on their experience and qualification, from various medical and nursing specialties, pharmacists, assistant professionals, engineers and specialists in infection control, quality and patient safety, to initiate the comprehensive assessment of health institutions.

NHRA is happy to announce the successful start of the accreditation process at two private hospitals and three centers in Bahrain. During the survey process all hospitals are required to provide evidence that they maintain acceptable standards of care services and comply by the licensing requirements issued by the Authority. The accredited facility must meet the specific criteria of each accreditation standard and should be able to demonstrate that it has effective policies and regulations to ensure that the criteria are maintained during the accredited period.

Hospitals had the opportunity to evaluate the surveyors that attended their facilities and provided valuable feedback to NHRA for further development of the surveyors and the process.

The results of accreditation will be announced in the later part of the year.



Accreditation Surveyors

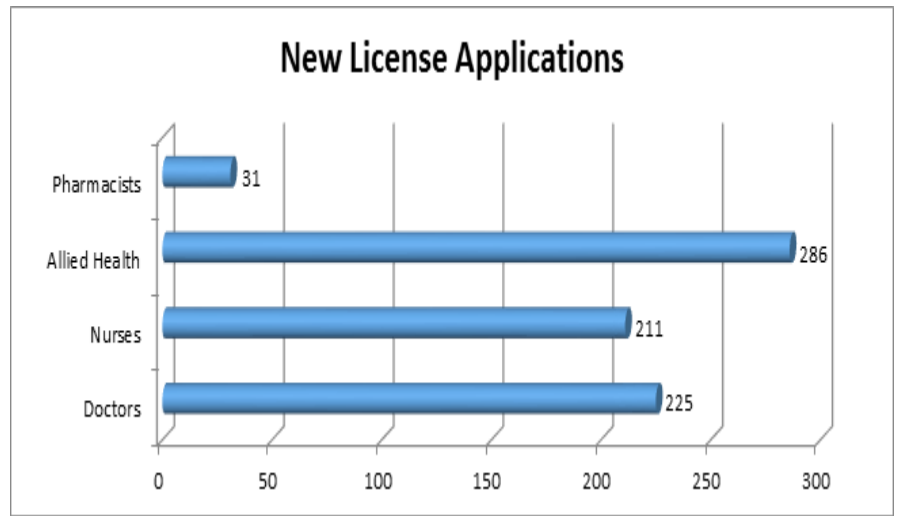


Hospital field visits





PROFESSIONAL LICENSE STATISTICS JAUNUARY-APRIL 2017



*“Healthcare professionals Qualification Requirements (published by Supreme Council of Health)”*

**Pharmaceutical Regulation Activities**

1-4/2017

Medicines	
Manufacturing Sites	20
Medicines New Registration	52
Medicines Licenses Renewal	106
Medicines Variations	289
Non-Registered Products	519
Classification & Health Products	
Products Classification	74
Health Products New Registration	48
Health Products License Renewal	27

***“Medical Devices licensing”***

NHRA has approved total number of **2,906** medical Device requests with a value of **9,804,419.56** BD

The Supreme Council of Health (SCH) of the Kingdom of Bahrain has recently published the unified healthcare Professional Qualification Requirements (PQR). This milestone achievement takes us a further step forward towards fulfilling the Kingdoms objectives to improve the healthcare services provision across the Kingdom.

The PQR will now provide a starting point for all healthcare facilities, in the public and private sectors, to assess the documentation submitted by professionals within their geographical jurisdiction and places an emphasis on educational standards, experience and licensure requirements. This will ensure safe and competent delivery of services based on international benchmarked best practices while keeping in accordance with Bahraini Laws.

## DISCONTINUITY OF PRACTICE REGULATIONS

Bahraini Healthcare professionals who have been out of clinical practice exceeding **two (2) years** and opting to be licensed in the kingdom of Bahrain must follow the CME/CPD requirements below

All CME/CPD credits must be related to practice specialty of the healthcare professional, and according to the CME/CPD specific requirements of NHRA

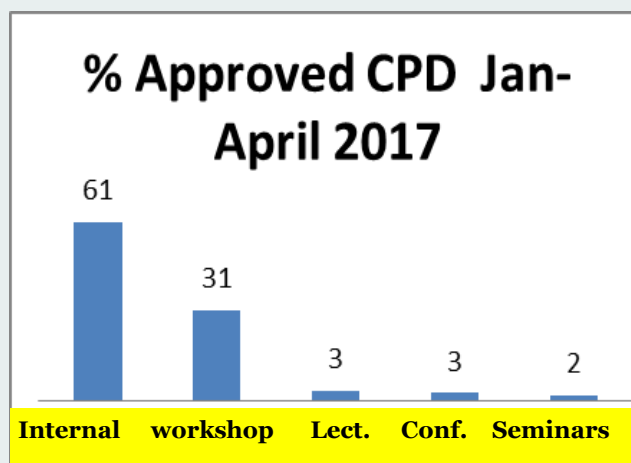
All applicants are required to complete a clinical training program which shall be determined by NHRA in the specialty field. All clinical training programs shall be carried out in an approved practice setting by the NHRA

Gap of Practice	Physicians/ Dentists	Nurses	Allied Health	TCAM	Pharmacists
<b>From two to less than three years</b>	· 60 CME/CPD credits · 6 months of training	40 CME/CPD credits 6 months of training	· 20 CME/CPD credits 6 months of training	20 CME/CPD credits 6 months of training	50 CME/CPD credits 6 months of training
<b>From three to less than four years</b>	· 90 CME/CPD credits · 8 months of training	· 60 CME/CPD credits · 8 months of training	· 30 CME/CPD credits · 8 months of training	· 30 CME/CPD credits · 8 months of training	75 CME/CPD credits 8 months of training
<b>From Four to less than Five years</b>	· 120 CME/CPD credits · 10 months of training	· 80 CME/CPD credits · 10 months of training	· 40 CME/CPD credits · 10 months of training	· 40 CME/CPD credits · 10 months of training	100 CME/CPD credits 10 months of training
<b>From Five to Ten years only)</b>	· 150 CME/CPD credits · 12 months of training	· 100 CME/CPD credits · 12 months of training	· 50 CME/CPD credits · 12 months of training	· 50 CME/CPD credits · 12 months of training	125 CME/CPD credits 12 months of training

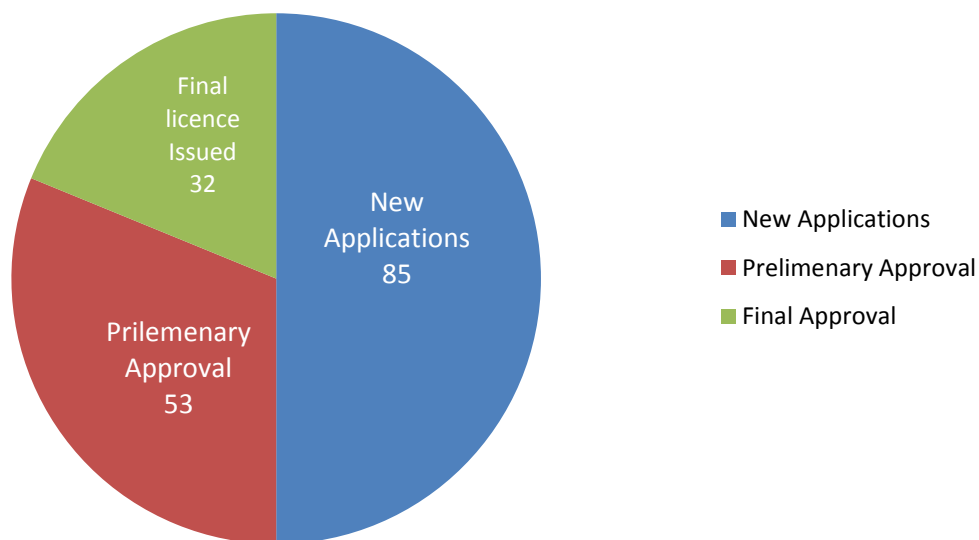
### *“CPD Activities” on the rise*

Since the implementation of resolution No. (40) for 2016, the number and specialties of CPD activities offered have increased considerably.

Since January there has been a total of 160 programs accredited by the NHRA, of which workshops represent 31%, conferences represent 3%, lectures represent 3%, seminars represent 2% and 61% in internal activities.



## New Facility Applications January- April 2017



### *“Supreme Council Of Health Publish a New Resolution Regulating Health Care Facilities’ licensing”*

The Supreme Council of Health (SCH) in Kingdom of Bahrain has published resolution No. (15) regarding the technical and engineering requirements for licensing new health care facilities. Included in the resolution, a 21 appendices specifying the required standards for inpatient, outpatient, services, emergency services, intensive care, infection control and patient safety standards and other services. Investors are advise to visit our web page to access the resolution.

### *“NHRA Updates its Guide to the Application procedures and Rules for licensing Health Care Facilities”*

Version 2 of the guide is now available on our web page, the guide outlines the application process for licensing a new facility or renewal of a license .

A short guide is also available on our web page: ( [www.nhra.bh](http://www.nhra.bh))