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# **Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners (Amendment) Bill**

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**Bill No. 2/2019.**

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A BILL

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An Act to amend the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Act  
(Chapter 333A of the 2001 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the  
Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

## **Short title and commencement**

1. This Act is the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners (Amendment) Act 2019 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

## **Amendment of section 2**

2. Section 2 of the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Act (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “herbal medicine”, the following definition:

10                                   ““Inquiry Committee” means a committee appointed under section 26I(1);”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “institution of higher learning”, the following definitions:

15                                   ““interim order” means an order made under section 26H(1);

                                  “investigator” means a person appointed under section 28;”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “member”, the following definition:

20                                   ““modify”, in relation to any condition of registration, means —

(a) delete or replace such a condition; or

(b) add a condition of registration;”.

## **Amendment of section 3**

25   3. Section 3(2) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “9 members” and substituting the words “11 members”.

## **Amendment of section 8**

4. Section 8 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after subsection (3), the following subsection:

“(3A) However, a member who is or was a member of an Inquiry Committee inquiring into a matter relating to a registered person under this Act —

- (a) must not vote or take part in any discussion or decision of the Board relating to the matter, or otherwise participate in any activity of the Board that relates to the matter; 5
- (b) must withdraw from any meeting or part of any meeting of the Board considering or discussing the matter if the Chairman or other member presiding at the meeting so requests; and 10
- (c) must be disregarded for the purpose of forming a quorum for any meeting or part of any meeting of the Board during which a discussion or decision relating to the matter occurs or is made.”. 15

#### **Amendment of section 17**

**5.** Section 17 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after subsection (5), the following subsection:

“(5A) The Board may refuse to grant or renew a practising certificate to a registered person if the registered person fails to comply with any prescribed requirements relating to — 20

- (a) continuing professional education for the practice of traditional Chinese medicine; or 25
- (b) any other aspect of the practice of traditional Chinese medicine.”;

- (b) by deleting subsection (6) and substituting the following subsections:

“(6) A practising certificate issued to a registered person is deemed to be cancelled when — 30