Indian Nursing Council

Organisational Objectives

The Indian Nursing Council is an autonomous body under the Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare constituted under the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947, enacted by Parliament, giving Statutory powers to maintain uniform standards and regulation of nursing education all over the country.

Functions

1. To establish and monitor uniform standards of nursing for nurse midwives, auxiliary nurse midwives and health visitors’ education by doing inspection of the institutions.
2. To recognize the qualification(s) under section 10(2)(4) of the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947 for the purpose of registration and employment in India and abroad.
3. To prescribe minimum standards of education and training in various nursing programmes and prescribe the syllabus & regulations for nursing programs under section 16 of the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947.
4. Power to withdraw the recognition of qualification under Section 14 of the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947 in case the institution fails to maintain its standards under Section 14(1)(b) of the Act when an institution recognised by a State Council for the training of nurses midwives, Auxiliary Nurse Midwives or health visitors does not satisfy the requirements of the Council.
5. To recognise Degree/Diploma/Certificate awarded by Foreign Universities.
6. To give approval for registration of Indian and Foreign Nurses possessing foreign qualification under Section 11(2)(a) of the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947.
7. To maintain Indian Nurses Register for registration of nursing personnel.
8. To advise the State Nursing Councils, Examining Boards, State Governments and Central Government in various important items regarding nursing education in the country.
9. To promote research in nursing.
10. To prescribe code of ethics and professional conduct.
11. To regulate the policies of training of nursing programmes in the field of nursing to improve the quality of nursing education.