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## **PUNJAB STATE PHARMACY COUNCIL**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

In India there was no restriction to practise the profession of pharmacy. One could practise this profession as any other profession. Persons, having no knowledge and having no education in pharmacy or pharmaceutical chemistry or pharmacology, were engaged in this profession. So many cases were brought to the notice of the Government wherein the compounding, mixing, or dispensing of medicines was being done by persons who were not adequately educated in this line. The system was causing great harm to the health of people by wrong compounding, mixing or dispensing. Thus, it was found necessary to enact a law for the regulation of the profession and practice of pharmacy. As such the Punjab State Pharmacy Council is being operated under Pharmacy Act, 1948 & State Pharmacy Rules, 1951 made thereunder.

### **STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

Like in most other countries, only persons who have attained a minimum standard of professional education should be permitted to practise the Profession of Pharmacy. Central Council of Pharmacy, prescribed the minimum standards of education and approved courses of study and examinations for Pharmacists. Accordingly Governments has prohibited the dispensing of medicine on the prescription of a medical practitioner otherwise than by, or under the direct and personal supervision of, a registered pharmacist.

## **CONSTITUTION & FUNCTIONING OF PUNJAB STATE PHARMACY COUNCIL**

The Punjab State Pharmacy Council has been constituted under section 19 of the Pharmacy Act,1948 & the Act is implemented in totto. The main functions of the Council is Registration of Pharmacists, it's Renewal, Restoration, Registration of Additional Qualification, Issuance of Good Standing Certificates to Foreign Countries, In and out Migrations of Registered Pharmacists from and to other States.