



FULLY ONLINE



Postgraduate Diploma in General Practice

Duration: 18 months | 9 modules | 130 credits | SAQA ID: 50143 | NQF Level 8

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About the programme

This programme equips general practitioners with advanced clinical and management competencies to thrive in dynamic healthcare environments. It covers both pressing public health issues and operational challenges faced in modern practice, ensuring practitioners deliver responsive, patient-centred care within evolving clinical and regulatory settings.

START YOUR JOURNEY TODAY!

Structure and Enrolment

- **Duration:** 18 months
(modules: 8 weeks each, 7 weeks study + 1 week break)
- **Format:** Fully online (*E-Learning*)
- **Effort:** 12–15 hours per week
- **Admission Requirements:**
 1. MBChB (or equivalent) qualification
 2. Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) or equivalent

Application Requirements

- Completed application form
- Certified copy of ID/passport
- Certified copy of highest qualification(s)
- SAQA and USAF verification for foreign qualifications



Who is this Programme For?

This programme is ideal for:

- Practising general practitioners with an MBChB or equivalent, registered with the HPCSA or a comparable regulatory body
- Physicians seeking to enhance their clinical governance, decision-making, and practice management skills

What will you study?

Modules

Medical Ethics
(15 credits)

Practice Management
(15 credits)

Mental Health
(15 credits)

**Immunodeficiency Infections
(HIV/AIDS & TB)**
(15 credits)

**Metabolic Health and
Diabetes Mellitus**
(15 credits)

**Cardiovascular and
Respiratory Disease**
(15 credits)

Rheumatology and Dermatology
(15 credits)

**Allergies and Antibiotic
Stewardship**
(15 credits)

**General Practice in Action
(Action Research)**
(15 credits)

Total: 130 credits



Delivery and Learning Experience

This programme is designed for working medical professionals, offering flexibility with academic rigour through:

- Structured Online Modules – Clearly defined weekly milestones within an 8-week cycle.
- Engaging Digital Content – Professionally curated readings, multimedia, and formative assessments.
- Practical, Real-World Assignments – Applied tasks that align directly with scenarios in clinical and practice settings.
- Self-Paced, Asynchronous Learning – Study at times that suit your schedule, with clear deadlines for accountability.
- Ongoing Support and Feedback – Regular facilitator guidance and feedback through the learning platform.

Graduate Opportunities

Graduates of this programme will be able to:

- Navigate ethical dilemmas with professionalism and legal insight in clinical practice
- Lead and manage a medical practice using evidence-informed business strategies
- Recognise and manage mental health conditions in primary care settings
- Deliver evidence-based care in contexts such as HIV/AIDS, TB, chronic respiratory and metabolic conditions
- Apply rational prescribing, particularly around antibiotics and allergy management
- Conduct an action research project tailored to a healthcare challenge in their own practice

This programme builds a pathway for educators to develop advanced expertise in designing and delivering online and blended higher-education programmes.





About FPD

The Foundation for Professional Development (FPD), established in 1997, is one of South Africa's leading private higher education institutions. Recognised as the 3rd best private higher education institute in South Africa by the World Scholarship Forum, FPD has built a reputation for developing professionals who make meaningful contributions to business and society.

Elevate your clinical practice and leadership with the Postgraduate Diploma in General Practice. Apply now to invest in your career, your patients, and the future of primary care.

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