THE MAURITIUS INSTITUTE OF HEALTH (AMENDMENT)
ACT 1989

Act No. 3 of 1989

I assent,

Governor-General

November 1989

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An Act

To establish the Mauritius Health Institute

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows—

1. Short title.
   This Act may be cited as the Mauritius Institute of Health Act 1989.

2. Interpretation.
   In this Act—
   "Board" means the Board of the Institute established under section 5;
   "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Board;
   "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Institute appointed as such under section 6;
   "employee" means any employee of the Institute;
"General Fund" means the General Fund set up under section 9;
"Institute" means the Mauritius Institute of Health established under section 3;
"member" means a member of the Board and includes the Chairman;
"Minister" means the Minister to whom responsibility for the subject of health is assigned.

(1) There is established for the purposes of this Act a Mauritius Institute of Health.
(2) The Institute shall be a body corporate.

The objects of the Institute shall be—
(a) to organise the training of local health personnel, as well as overseas participants, in accordance with such programme as may be approved by the Board;
(b) to carry out such health systems research as may be approved by the Board;
(c) to act as a focal point and resource centre for the production exchange and promotion of health learning and health information material;
(d) to provide advisory services in matters of health care;
(e) to perform such other functions not inconsistent with the objects specified above, as the Minister may refer to the Institute;
(f) to co-operate with other similar institutions and regional and international organisations in order to promote the objects specified in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c).

5. The Board.
(1) The Institute shall be managed by a Board which shall consist of—
(a) a Chairman to be designated by the Prime Minister;
(b) the Executive Director of the Institute;
(c) a representative of the Ministry of Health;
(d) a representative of the Prime Minister’s Office;
(e) such other members, not exceeding 7, as may be appointed by the Prime Minister to represent—
(i) educational, training and vocational interests;
(ii) bilateral or multilateral donor organisations.
(2) The Chairman shall be a public officer.

(3) The members appointed under subsection (1) (e) shall hold office for two years but shall be eligible for re-appointment.

(4) The Board shall regulate its meetings and proceedings in such manner as it thinks fit.

(5) Five members shall constitute a quorum.

6. The Executive Director.

(1) There shall be an Executive Director who shall be the Chief Executive of the Institute and be responsible to the Board for maintaining and promoting the proper administration of the Institute.

(2) The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Prime Minister and hold office on such terms and conditions as the Prime Minister may think fit.

7. Appointment of employees.

(1) The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, appoint on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, such employees as it considers necessary for the proper discharge of its functions under this Act.

(2) Every employee shall be under the administrative control of the Executive Director.

8. Conditions of service of employees.

The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, make provision to govern the conditions of service of employees and, in particular, to deal with—

(a) the appointment, dismissal, discipline, pay and leave of, and the security to be given by, employees;

(b) appeals by employees against dismissal or any other disciplinary measures; and

(c) the establishment and maintenance of provident or pension fund schemes, the contributions payable to, and the benefits recoverable from, those schemes.


(1) The Institute shall set up a General Fund—

(a) into which all money received from any source by the Institute shall be paid; and

(b) out of which all payment made by the Institute shall be met.
(2) Subject to section 10(2), the money deposited in the General Fund under subsection (1) shall be used and applied for the working of the Institute in such manner and for such purposes as, in the opinion of the Board, will best promote the interest of the Institute.


(1) The Minister may, in relation to the exercise by the Board of the powers of the Institute under this Act, give such directions of a general character to the Board not inconsistent with this Act, as he considers to be necessary in the public interest, and the Board shall comply with these directions.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Minister may direct the Board to refrain from incurring any particular expenditure which, in the opinion of the Minister, is unnecessary and the Board shall comply with the direction.

(3) The Institute shall provide facilities to the Minister for obtaining information with respect to its activities and shall furnish him with such documents as he may require.

11. Donations.

Article 910 of the Code Napoléon shall not apply to the Institute.

12. Regulations.

The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, make such regulations as it thinks fit for the purposes of this Act and, notwithstanding the generality of this power, the regulations may provide for—

(a) any matter which is required by this Act to be prescribed;

(b) any procedural or other matter as the Board may determine; and

(c) the levying of charges and the taking of fees.


Notwithstanding any other enactment—

(a) the Institute shall be exempt from payment of duty, rate, charge, fee, tax or licence;

(b) no stamp duty or registration fee shall be payable in respect of any document under which the Institute is the sole beneficiary; and

(c) the Institute may frank letters or postal packets, make remittances by money order or despatch telegrams free of charge.
14. Legal proceedings.
   (1) The Institute shall act, sue and be sued, implead or be impleaded under its corporate name.
   (2) Every deed, cheque or other document relating to the Institute shall be signed by two persons designated by the Board.

15. Consequential amendment.
   (1) The Schedule to the Statutory Bodies (Accounts and Audit) Act is amended in Part II by adding the following item—
   Mauritius Institute of Health
   (2) The auditor to be appointed under section 5(1) of the Statutory Bodies (Accounts and Audit) Act shall be the Director of Audit.

Passed by the Legislative Assembly on the twenty-first day of November one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine.

[Signature]
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
THE MAURITIUS INSTITUTE OF HEALTH
(AMENDMENT) ACT

Act No. of 2003

I assent

April 2003

President of the Republic

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section
1. Short title
2. Interpretation
3. Section 4 of principal Act amended

An Act

To amend the Mauritius Institute of Health Act
ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows –

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Mauritius Institute of Health

2. Interpretation

In this Act –
"principal Act" means the Mauritius Institute of Health Act.
3. Section 4 of principal Act amended

Section 4 of the principal Act is amended by numbering the existing provision as subsection (1) and adding the following new subsection—

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a), the Institute may conduct courses, hold examinations and grant certificates, diplomas and awards, acting on its own or jointly with any other educational institution.

Passed by the National Assembly on the twenty fifth day of March two thousand and three.

[Signature]

André Pompon
Clerk of the National Assembly