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For the attention of all institutions running Pharmacy courses (D.Pharm/B.Pharm) for the purpose of registration as a pharmacist under the Pharmacy Act 1948.

1. The Pharmacy Council of India is a statutory body constituted under the Pharmacy Act, 1948, a Central Act passed by the Parliament to regulate the profession and practice of pharmacy in the country.
2. The Central Council of the PCI has decided as under –
 - a. Institutions intending to start D.Pharm/B.Pharm course are required to apply 9 months in advance of starting the course for year wise consideration of approval by PCI. The above policy of the PCI will be strictly adhered to w.e.f. 2010-2011 academic session i.e. institutions intending to start D.Pharm/B.Pharm course from 2010-2011 academic session, should submit the complete SIF in all respects to PCI on or before the cut off date of 15.9.2009 failing which their application will not be considered by the Council on a later date and the consequences thereof shall rest on the institution.
 - b. Please note that prior approval of the PCI is essential before starting the D.Pharm/B.Pharm course from the academic year 2010-2011 onwards.
 - c. The applications of institutions received upto 2009-2010 by the council will be processed as per rules.
 - d. The institutions that have already started D.Pharm/B.Pharm course but not yet applied to PCI for approval of conduct of course/approval u/s 12 shall apply on or before 15.9.2009 without fail. Any failure on the part of the institution in not submitting the proposal to PCI as mentioned above will be the sole responsibility of the institution and PCI will not entertain any such applications for consideration on a later date, after the issue of this policy.
 - e. For further details visit the council website www.pci.nic.in.
3. In view of the above it is further clarified that the-
 - a. Institution's which have already started D.Pharm/B.Pharm course shall apply to PCI by 15.9.2009 without fail for consideration of approval for conduct of course/approval under section 12 of Pharmacy Act, 1948. Please note that this is the last opportunity.
 - b. Institutions intending to start D.Pharm/B.Pharm course w-e-f 2010-2011 academic session shall apply 9 months in advance of starting the course i.e. by 15.9.2009 and obtain prior approval of the council before starting of the said course .

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