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PCI Alert on fake message

The Pharmacy Council of India has come across a fake message being circulated in various digital platforms mentioning that from 30th August 2020, Diploma in Pharmacy (D. Pharm) will not be accepted as a registrable qualification under the Pharmacy Act 1948 to practice the profession. All licenses issued on the basis of Diploma in Pharmacy qualification will automatically be dismissed by the Pharmacy Council of India. The said message further states that the Pharmacists who are already registered on the basis of D. Pharm qualification will have to pass bridge course, admission process for which will start after 31st July 2020.

In this connection it is clarified to Registered Pharmacists and General Public that

- 1. It is a fake message. No such decision has been taken by the Pharmacy Council of India
- 2. D. Pharm qualification acquired from an institution approved u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act 1948 is an approved qualification for registration as a Pharmacist u/s 33 read with section 32(2) of the Pharmacy Act 1948 to practice the profession.
- 3. Pharmacy Council of India posts all important decisions in the form of notifications / circulars on its official website www.pci.nic.in, hence the information posted on council's website be only treated as an authentic information.

All concerned are advised not to be misled by such false information and ignore these fake messages being circulated. The kind support of all concerned is solicited to avoid rumors in the interest of profession.

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