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BILL No. 2 of 2009

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The following Bill which will be introduced in the National Assembly is published for general information.

S.E. Isaacs,
Clerk of the National Assembly



GUYANA

ACT No. 4 of 2009

MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2009

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

2

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 8 of the Principal Act.

A BILL
Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Medical Practitioners Act.

A.D. 2009

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title.
No. 16 of 1991.

1. (1) This Act, which amends the Medical Practitioners Act 1991, may be cited as the Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Act 2009.

Amendment of
section 8 of the
Principal Act.

2. The Principal Act is amended by substituting in section 8 (3) for the words “six academic sessions”, the words “twelve academic sessions” of which a maximum of four academic credits could be on-line CME offered by a recognized agency, institution or recognized professional body.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend section 8 (3) of the Medical Practitioners Act 1991 (No. 16 of 1991 so as to enhance the minimum number of academic sessions a medical practitioner is required to attend in order for him to get registered to practice medicine or surgery in Guyana.

At present, a medical practitioner must submit evidence of having attended a minimum of six academic sessions recognized by the Medical Council of Guyana during the preceding year to enable him to be registered as such. This requirement is proposed to be enhanced to twelve academic sessions.

The proposed amendment would call for enhanced qualification of medical practitioners and would pave the way for better quality in the practice of medicine and surgery in the country.

**MINISTER OF HEALTH**