# Issue Brief: Health Practitioners Tribunal

4th June 2019

## Need to Know

The Ministry of Health is consulting on a proposal to establish a Health Practitioners Tribunal that would assume responsibility for investigation and adjudication of complaints regarding professional misconduct and fitness to practise for registered health professionals. The Ministry has considered input and feed-back from regulatory authorities, Supreme Court judgments, legal advice and other evidence that demonstrates the need to modernise complaint handling regarding health practitioners. The proposal is for an in-dependent Health Practitioners Tribunal to make decisions separate from regulatory authorities such as the Council for Allied Health Professions, the Bermuda Dental Board, the Bermuda Medical Council, the Bermuda Nursing and Midwifery Council, the Bermuda Psychologists Council, the Optometrists and Opticians Council and the Pharmacy Council.



# Next Steps

gov.bm/ministry/health

Health\_bermuda

Visit the website and give us your feedback. Responses will be collated and we will publish a report summarizing the feedback received on gov.bm/health-public-consultations. The feedback will be used to amend and finalize the proposed structure.

All feedback must come through the website and responses will be made public in full.

#### For more information contact moh@gov.bm

Continental Building, 25 Church St. Hamilton, HM 12 HealthBermuda

## **Consultation Details**

- The consultation document sets out the proposed structure for the tribunal.
- The document is available here: gov.bm/health-public-consultations
- We are seeking your feedback on the merit, design and impact of the proposal.
- Your responses will inform the design and implementation of a Health Practitioners Tribunal.
- Registered health professionals, individuals or organisations that may be affected or have a particular interest should read and comment.
- Responses must be given online at: <u>forum.gov.bm</u>
- The feedback submitted is not confidential.
- Anonymous responses cannot be consid-ered.
- The deadline for consultation is 31 July 2019

