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NOTIFICATION

To,

All Registered Medical Practitioner.

Sub- Regarding signing of multiple Pathology report without supervision. Sir/ Madam,

Your Kind attention is drawn toward MCI letter No. MCI-211(2) (Gen.)/2014-Ethics/154889 dt. 14/12/2017, in which MCI has categorically quoted Hon'ble Supreme Court of India order dt. 12/12/2017, which is reproduced as under;

"We dispose of all these special leave petitions and other pending application, if any, by taking a view that the stand of the Medical Council of India that Laboratory Report can be counter signed only by a Registered Medical Practitioner with a post graduate qualification in pathology is correct."

It has come to the notice of Maharashtra Medical Council, that some of the qualified registered practitioner (including Pathologist, Microbiologist, Bio-Chemist) have been found to be associating with unqualified persons and leading their name and signing multiple reports without supervision of the pathological tests.

No medical practitioner should sign any clinical, Lab/Radiological Reports, Prescription or any other professional document unless he/she is directly involved in conducting the test and preparing the reports, and qualified to sign the reports.

It is therefore informed that the medical professionals registered with the Maharashtra Medical Council should refrain from such associations, and avoid signing multiple report without supervision as the same constitutes professional misconduct, rendering such doctors liable to disciplinary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjay Deshmukh)

Registrar

Maharashtra Medical Council