



The Medical Council launches the 'Guidelines to Medical and Dental Students on Professional Values and Fitness to Practice'



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During a ceremony held at the Medical School, Mater Dei Hospital, the Medical Council officially presented the 'Guidelines to Medical and Dental Students on Professional Values and Fitness to Practice', to the Deans of the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery and of the Faculty of Dentistry, and the respective Presidents of the Medical and Dental Students Associations.

The role of the Medical Council is that of safeguarding the values and integrity of the Medical and Dental professions, as well as upholding patients' rights and safety. During this event it was emphasized that professionalism has long been passed on by the attitudes and characteristics of role models in the profession. Today this has gained importance and has become a study which is also taught.

The aim of the Medical Council is that students start on their ethical and professional development early on in their path to become professional. It was also emphasized that Medical and Dental teachers, are to be good role models and help the students along the path to professionalism and integrate these guidelines into the informal and formal curriculum.

The Faculties and Representatives of the Associations were thus encouraged to distribute a copy of these Guidelines to all students and new students in the years to come.

This document can be downloaded from the Medical Council Website:

https://ehealth.gov.mt/HealthPortal/others/regulatory_councils/medical_council/medical_council.aspx

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