

4. Prequalification of Health Facility Design Consultants

4.1 The Prequalification Process

4.1.1 What is “Prequalification” and what is its Purpose

The prequalification of Health Facility Design Consultants (HFDC) is a further initiative by the DOH Health Regulation Sector to ensure new Health Facilities within Abu Dhabi are designed to the appropriate standards by competent HFDC. Furthermore, they will give The Department of Health confidence that the design outcome will be in line with the expected Standards and Guidelines which subsequently will reduce the processing time of the Health Facility Approval Process.

A Prequalified HFDC will be permitted to participate in the development of Health Facilities and is therefore automatically permitted to lodge Schematic and Detailed Design Submissions to The Department of Health as part of the Health Facility Approval Process described above.

The prequalification is category-based representing the level of skill and specialisation in health facilities. DOH, at its sole discretion may delegate certain tasks such as plan reviews or inspections to these pre-qualified consultants. However, such consultants must not have any involvement in the subject project and present no conflict of interest. This is another initiative to speed up and streamline the process of approval of health facilities by competent professionals.

4.1.2 Definition of the Health Facility Design Consultant

A HFDC may be an individual or a company.

In the assessment of prequalification, the following requirements will apply:

- An individual may apply for prequalification if he/she has the minimum necessary experience as described in this section.
- A company may apply for prequalification if at least 50% of its Directors are prequalified.
- Companies and Individuals may form a consortium to combine the skills of different entities for the purpose of designing Health Facilities. A consortium may act as a Health Facility Design Consultant if it includes members (being individuals or companies or a combination of both) who are already prequalified, representing at least 50% of the Directors of the consortium.
- The DOH may prequalify only legally recognised entities. Should a consortium or Joint Venture (JV) form a legal entity recognised in Abu Dhabi, it may apply for prequalification as a separate entity to its individual members.
- A consortium or JV may carry out Health Facility Design work, however, in the context of The Department of Health applications requiring prequalified consultants, only those portions of the Consortia or JV's which are prequalified will be recognised.

A HFDC may be prequalified in the following disciplines:

- Healthcare Architecture (sometimes referred to as Medical Planner)
- Healthcare Mechanical and HVAC
- Healthcare Electrical (Power, lighting, ELV, lightning protection), IT and Communications
- Public Health (Plumbing, drainage, medical gas, LPG gas)
- Biomedical Engineering (which may include Equipment Planning)

The DOH requirements for prequalification are in addition to any other legal or professional requirements for practice under these disciplines.

A Healthcare project may require many more consultants including (but not restricted to):

- Landscape Architect
- Traffic Engineer
- Civil and Structural Engineer
- Signage Consultant
- Quantity Surveyor
- Façade Engineer
- Radiation Shielding
- Catering/ Laundry
- Sterilising
- Laboratory

The Department of Health does not prequalify consultants for these disciplines or any other not listed in this section.

4.1.3 How can a HFDC become Prequalified?

Design Consultants can become prequalified by filling out a Prequalification Questionnaire and lodging a signed copy with The Department of Health. This process will collect important information which will be used to assess the capability of the Design Consultant.

The HFDC's expertise will be assessed on multiple criteria. Some examples are as follows:

- The experience of the organisation applying for prequalification, both outside and within The Department of Health. The consultant will be assessed on the number and type of Health Facilities designed and completed. The size and complexity of the Health Facilities will also be taken into consideration.
- The experience and prequalification of the key individuals within the organisation. The individual expertise is important because key staff may leave the organisation, leaving the applicant without any experienced staff.
- The resources within the organisation. Since the level of prequalification is partly based on the size of projects undertaken, obviously only organisations with sufficient staffing will be permitted to undertake large scale projects. The staff may include those working in the GCC or from other countries.
- The methodology and systems used within the organisation. To a large degree, the successful completion of a Health Facility is dependent on using internationally recognised tools and systems.
- Consultants currently working with or under The Department of Health and considered to be performing to an acceptable standard will be given priority for prequalification for a period of 12 months from the publication of these Guidelines.

4.2 The Level of Prequalification linked to the Type of Health Facilities

4.2.1 A Category Based System

For the purpose of prequalification, Health Facilities are divided into different types. Each type will require a minimum level of prequalification based on the complexity of the facility as follows:

- **Category 1** – Design Consultants who have professional qualifications in the respective Architectural and Engineering fields are automatically regarded as Category 1. Category 1 Consultants are permitted to design and submit plans for facility types other than Hospitals, Day Care Surgery, Dialysis, IVF, Medical Imaging, Laboratories or Medical Centres incorporating Medical Imaging or Laboratory facilities.
- **Category 2** – Design Consultants who have practical experience within their discipline in the design of more complex healthcare facilities such as Day Surgery, Medical Imaging, Laboratory and Renal Dialysis are regarded as Category 2.
- **Category 3** – Very experienced consultants with the experience of designing all types of healthcare facilities within their discipline including Acute Care hospitals are regarded as Category 3.

The DOH will indicate its procedures for Category 2 and 3 in due course. The consultants may apply for the appropriate category, within their own discipline based on their level of experience. There are no processes required for Category 1. The discipline categories are as follows:

- Healthcare Architects and Medical Planners
- MEP Engineers (or one of the MEP sub-disciplines such as Mechanical, Electrical or Plumbing)
- Biomedical Engineering

Any prequalification granted by the DOH is only for the relevant discipline(s) covered by the consultant.

4.2.2 Lowering the Barrier to Entry

The Department of Health prequalification system aims to lower the barrier to entry into the Health Facility Design field experienced by HFDC. The typical path for an individual General-practice Architect or Engineer wishing to specialise in this field would be to work for a prequalified company on a range of healthcare projects under the supervision of experienced specialists. The individual can then apply for prequalification, initially at the lower category and subsequently at the higher category.

Prequalified individuals can then form new companies, employ support staff and apply for the prequalification of the company.

4.2.3 Increasing the level of prequalification

Individual HFDC may apply for the higher category of prequalification based on the experience they gain at the lower category as well as work under the supervision of others at Category 2.

The DOH at its sole discretion may consider these applications and increase or reject the prequalification category of the consultants.

Companies may also apply for Category 2 prequalification based on the experience and prequalification of specialist staff that they employ as well as a minimum of 50% of the directors. This experience is demonstrated through the application forms listing the experience and responsibility for such projects permitted at Category 2.

4.2.4 Frequency of Application

Department of Health accepts HFDC Prequalification applications on a regular basis. In general, applications will be accepted and reviewed 4 times annually. It is the responsibility of the Applicant (Consultant) to check with DOH the current schedule. For subsequent applications, they may be submitted for a number of reasons at the following intervals:

- Submission after the expiry of prequalification - with 1-month grace period to renew
- Re-submission with better information, if requested by The Department of Health – within 2 weeks

- Re-submission due to the rejection of a previous application – minimum 3 months after the original application
- Application for increasing prequalification from Category 1 to Category 2, Category 2 to Category 3 – minimum 1 year after the original application

4.2.5 Duration of Prequalification

The DOH prequalification for the current Category, will be valid for a period of 2 years after approval.

During the period of validity, the design consultants are required to inform The DOH of any major changes to the information supplied to them on the prequalification forms including changes to directorship and departure of key specialist staff.

Consultants may apply for the renewal of the prequalification for a further period of 2 years by the submission of a new prequalification application (refer to **Part A – Appendix 3** of these Guidelines). A new prequalification application may be lodged up to 2 months before the expiry of the current prequalification and it should be noted as an ‘renewal’ application. DOH will grant a one-month grace period for the renewal of expired prequalifications.

A renewed application may be a copy of the previous application with updated information unless The Department of Health requirements for prequalification change in the interim period.

Applicants who are currently prequalified at Category 2, may request an increase to Category 3 at the time of renewal with supporting credentials as long as it is at least one year since the original prequalification. This will be considered as an ‘upgrade’ in the prequalification form.

The DOH at its sole discretion may renew the application at the new or a higher Category.

4.3 Facility Categories and Types

The DOH Licensing system links the requirements of the facilities to the facility types. Furthermore, depending on the type and complexity of the facilities, certain minimum prequalification is required for the design consultants. These are set out in the table below. The categories of information are defined briefly as follows:

4.3.1 Facility types

Healthcare Facilities are categorised by Types and Sub-types as follows:

Type #	Facility Type	Sub-type
1	Hospital	• General Hospital • Specialised Hospital • Nursing Home • Rehabilitation Hospital
2	Clinic	• General Clinic • General Dental Clinic • School Clinic • Specialised Clinic • Specialised Dental Clinic • First Aid Post
	Centre	• Medical Center

Type #	Facility Type	Sub-type
		- Dental Center - Day Care Surgery Centres - Primary Health Care
4	Diagnostic Centres	- Laboratory - Radiological - Laboratory and Radiological
5	Rehabilitaiton Centre	- Optical Shop - Audiometric Shop - Dental Laboratory - Physiotherapy - Prosthetic & Orthotics - Rehabilitation Centre for Special Needs
6	Dialysis centre	N/A
7	Fertilization centre (IVF)	N/A
8	Mobile Health Units	- Dental Services - General / Specialized medical Clinic - Medical Diagnostic imaging - Medical Laboratory - Others
9	Provision of Health Services	- Healthcare Management - Employing / Transferring the medical staff - Home Care Services - Medical Professional Development: - CME/CPD - Medical Skill Training - Medical Transport Service - Vehicle Ambulance - Air Ambulance - Patient Escort Services
10	Tele-Medicine Provider	N/A
11	Traditional Complementary	- Acupuncture - Chiropractic

Type #	Facility Type	Sub-type
	and Alternative Medicine	• Homeopathy • TCM (Traditional Chinese Medicine) • Ayurveda (Traditional Indian Medicine) • Naturopathy • Osteopathy • Unani. • Hijama
12	Pharmacy Establishments	• Outpatient Pharmacy • Inpatient Pharmacy • Drug Store (Medical Store) • Pharmaceutical Factory • Scientific Office

Each of these Facility Types are explained in greater detail starting from paragraph 4.4.

4.3.2 Generic Name/ Alternative Name/ Description

The design requirements of the facilities need to reflect the nature of the facility and the services proposed. For example, under the Facility Type: Hospital, a dedicated Mental Health service vs a Maternity service or Rehabilitation service will be vastly different and require different design provisions. Applicants are required to specifically choose the services they propose, obtain the CoN, then provide the required Functional Planning Units (FPU's) to house those services.

4.3.3 Mandatory and Optional FPU's

The design requirements of the different facility types are defined under these Guidelines as per the provisions of Parts B to G. Part B provides the design requirements for the Functional Planning Units (FPU's) which may comprise the proposed facility type, depending on the specialties approved.

Some FPU's are mandatory such as in a hospital, a Pharmacy FPU and Medical Imaging FPU are mandatory.

On the other hand, applicants are not forced to provide certain service specialties and therefore some FPU's are not mandatory. For example, in a particular hospital the applicant is not forced to provide Mental Health or Renal Dialysis. So, the Mental Health and Renal Dialysis FPU's are regarded as optional in that hospital.

This section will set out the minimum mandatory FPU's as well as other optional FPU's which may be added to expand the services.

4.3.4 Combining Facility Categories and Types

- A Hospital license can incorporate a Section, Department or FPU such as Day Care Surgery, Outpatient Clinic, Diagnostic Services (Medical Imaging and Laboratory) under the same license but not IVF.
- A Day Surgery Facility license may incorporate Outpatient Clinics or Services as well as Diagnostic Services (Medical Imaging and Laboratories) under the same license
- A Medical Centre License may incorporate Diagnostic Services (Medical Imaging and Laboratories) under the same license

4.3.5 Outsourcing of facility components

All services provided by each facility will be under a single facility license. Individual services may be provided under a sub-contract as long as all facilities and employees of those facilities are under the single license granted by the DOH.

It is not permitted to operate under two different licenses within the same facility.

A facility under this clause is defined as an entire building or a self-sufficient tenancy within a building with separate access to the street or a common lift lobby.

4.4 Facility Type: Hospital

4.4.1 Description

This facility type covers the following sub-types

- General Hospital
- Specialised Hospital
- Nursing Home
- Rehabilitation Hospital

This facility type provides Inpatient Services for a variety of specialties (service lines).

A General Hospital can provide a number of general Medical and Surgical Services and may include a number of specialties.

Specialised Hospitals may have some basic inpatient and support services similar to General Hospitals but focus mostly on one or two specialties such as Cardiology or Oncology.

Nursing Homes provide long term inpatient facilities for the care of aged or disabled patients.

Rehabilitation Hospitals are similar to Specialised Hospitals with the nominated specialty being Rehabilitation.

Services of hospitals may be at RDL 3 to 6.

4.4.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Hospitals are:

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| • Administration Unit | • Main Entrance Unit |
| • Admissions Unit & Discharge | • Medical Imaging Unit - General |
| • Catering Unit | • Mortuary Unit - General |
| • Clinical Information Unit | • Pharmacy Unit (Inpatient) |
| • Emergency Unit (Public Only) | • Public and Staff Amenities Unit |
| • Engineering & Maintenance Unit | • Supply Unit |
| • Housekeeping Unit | • Waste Management Unit |
| • Inpatient Unit – (Any Type) | • Rehabilitation and Allied Health Unit (for Rehabilitation Hospitals) |
| • Laboratory Unit | • One or two service-specific FPU's for Specialised Hospitals |
| • Linen Handling Unit | |

4.4.3 Optional FPU's

In addition to the mandatory FPU's a General or Specialised Hospital may include additional FPU's to enhance its services subject to the approved CoN.

- Birthing Unit
- Cardiac Investigation Unit
- Complementary & Alternative Medicine Unit
- Coronary Care unit
- Day Surgery/ Procedure Unit
- Dental Surgery Unit
- Education Unit
- Emergency Unit and/or
- Urgent Care Centres
- Endoscopy Unit
- Inpatient Unit – Bariatric
- Intensive Care Unit - General
- IVF Unit (separate license required)
- Maternity Unit
- Medical Imaging Unit - Nuclear Medicine & PET
- Mental Health Unit - Adults
- Mental Health Unit - Child & Adolescent
- Mental Health Unit - Older Persons Unit
- Mobile Healthcare Unit
- Oncology Unit - Chemotherapy Unit
- Oncology Unit - Radiation Unit
- Outpatient Unit
- Operating Unit
- Pharmacy Unit (Outpatient)
- Rehabilitation Unit - Allied Health
- Renal Dialysis Unit
- Sterile Supply Unit

Note: For Emergency and Urgent Care facilities also refer to the “Emergency & Disaster Management Division” approval requirements on the “Emergency Operation Plan” on the DOH website.

4.4.4 Advertising and Promotions

Hospitals are often named and promoted after their major service specialties. It is expected that such advertising and promotions including signage, brochures etc truthfully represent the nature of the facility type and the approved services regardless of the name used by the project owner. This is particularly important as the names used by the project owners may vary from the DOH facility types.

Refer to DOH advertising Committee for guidance on advertising and promotions.

4.5 Facility Type: Clinic

4.5.1 Description

This facility type covers the following sub-types

- 1. General Clinic
- 2. General Dental Clinic
- 3. School Clinic
- 4. Specialized Clinic
- 5. Specialized Dental Clinic
- 6. First Aid Post

General Clinics, provide general outpatient services.

General Dental Clinics provide general dental services

School Clinics provide outpatient services to Students and Staff

Specialised Clinics may provide one Specialised service

Specialised Dental Clinics may provide one Specialised Dental service

First Aid Posts provide urgent first aid services only

4.5.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Clinics are as follows:

- Outpatient Unit or
- Health Centre or
- Dental Surgery Unit or
- Oncology Unit- Chemotherapy Unit;
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾; and
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾

4.5.3 Optional FPU's

In addition to the mandatory FPU's a Clinic may include additional FPU's to enhance its services subject to the approved CoN.

- Medical Imaging Unit - Nuclear Medicine & PET
- Pharmacy Unit (Outpatient)
- Laboratory Unit

4.6 Facility Type: Centre

4.6.1 Description

This facility type covers the following sub-types

- Medical Center
- Dental Center
- Day Care Surgery Centre
- Primary Health Care

Medical Centres provide a range of outpatient and ambulatory services

Dental Centres provide a range of general and specialised dental services

A Day Care Surgery Centre provides its services in such a way that the patient stay does not exceed 23 hours, regardless of the starting time.

Primary Health Care centres provide non-specialised population health services and act as a gatekeeper to other medical services

4.6.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Centres are as follows:

- Administration Unit⁽¹⁾
- Admissions Unit & Discharge
- Clinical Information Unit⁽¹⁾
- Engineering and Maintenance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Housekeeping Unit⁽¹⁾
- Linen Handling Unit⁽¹⁾
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Outpatient Unit
- Operating Unit (for Day Care Surgery only)
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- Sterile Supply Unit (SSU) (for Day Care Surgery only)
- Waste Management Unit⁽¹⁾

4.6.3 Optional FPU's

In addition to the mandatory FPU's a Centre may include additional FPU's to enhance its services subject to the approved CoN.

- Cardiac Investigation Unit (non-invasive)
- Complementary & Alternative Medicine Unit
- Dental Surgery Unit
- Education Unit
- Endoscopy Unit
- Medical Imaging Unit - Nuclear Medicine & PET
- Operating Unit
- Pharmacy Unit (Outpatient)
- Rehabilitation Unit - Allied Health Unit

4.7 Facility Type: Diagnostic Centre

4.7.1 Description

A Diagnostic Centre may include:

- Medical Laboratory
- Radiological facility
- Both

Medical Laboratory will provide a range of tests for clinical diagnosis.

A Radiological facility provides a range of Medical Imaging Modalities

4.7.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Diagnostic Centres are as follows:

- Laboratory Unit and/or
- Medical Imaging Unit
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾; and
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- Waste Management Unit⁽¹⁾

4.7.3 Optional FPU's

In addition to the mandatory FPU's a Diagnostic Radiological facility may include additional FPU's to enhance its services subject to the approved CoN.

- Medical Imaging Unit – Nuclear Medicine & PET
- Cardiac Investigation Unit (Diagnostic only, no procedures)
- Medical Imaging Unit – Nuclear Medicine & PET

Note: If any invasive procedures are performed in the Medical Imaging facility, it will be classified under Day Care Surgery Centre with additional Medical Imaging FPU.

4.8 Facility Type: Rehabilitation Centre

4.8.1 Description

Rehabilitation Centre facility type has the following sub-types.

- Optical Shop
- Audiometric Shop
- Prosthetic & Orthotics
- Dental Laboratory
- Physiotherapy

Optical shops provide glasses and related accessories and may provide general consultation. The DOH only licenses the Eye Examination component of Optical Shops.

Audiometric shops provide audiometric devices and accessories

Prosthetic & Orthotics provide workshops, sales and customisation outlets for Prosthetic devices.

Dental Laboratories provide central manufacturing facilities for dentures and implants

Physiotherapy provides treatment facilities for Outpatients. By way of clarification, a Rehabilitation Hospital may provide Physiotherapy for Inpatients as well as Outpatients.

4.8.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

There are no FPU's for the Rehabilitation Centres except Physiotherapy. The Minimum FPU's for Physiotherapy are as follows:

- Rehabilitation and Allied Health Unit
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Public Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾

4.9 Facility Type: Dialysis Centre

4.9.1 Description

Dialysis Centres provide Dialysis services as an ambulatory mode outside of the hospital environment.

This service can also be incorporated into hospitals, in which case a separate license is not required.

Dialysis Services may be provided as an ambulatory service at RDL 3.

Dialysis Service may be provided as an inpatient service mode at RDL 4 to 6.

Design consultants for Rehabilitation Centres must be at Prequalification Category 2.

4.9.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Dialysis Centres are as follows:

- Administration Unit⁽¹⁾
- Clinical Information Unit⁽¹⁾
- Housekeeping Unit⁽¹⁾
- Linen Handling Unit⁽¹⁾
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- Renal Dialysis Unit
- Waste Management Unit⁽¹⁾

4.10 Facility Type: Fertilisation Centre (IVF)

4.10.1 Description

Fertilisation Centres provide access to a range of reproductive technologies including IVF. Such centres may also offer outpatient consulting services as well as minor procedures for the repair of reproductive organs to assist with reproduction.

IVF facilities are subject to Federal Law which applies in addition to these Guidelines. IVF centres will require a separate license. If IVF centres are incorporated into hospitals, separate access is required.

4.10.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Fertilisation Centres are as follows:

- Administration Unit⁽¹⁾
- Clinical Information Unit⁽¹⁾
- Housekeeping Unit⁽¹⁾
- Linen Handling Unit⁽¹⁾
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- IVF Unit
- Waste Management Unit⁽¹⁾

4.10.3 Optional FPU's

In addition to the mandatory FPU's a Fertilisation Centre may include additional FPU's to enhance its services.

- Outpatient Unit
- Medical Imaging Unit
- Pharmacy Unit (outpatient)
- Laboratory Unit (other than laboratory built specifically for IVF)

4.11 Facility Type: Mobile Health Unit

4.11.1 Description

Mobile Health Units facility types have the following sub-types:

- 1.Dental Services
- 2.General / Specialized medical Clinic
- 3.Medical Diagnostic imaging
- 4.Medical Laboratory
- 5.Others

Mobile Health Units provide minimal services within a vehicle where some compromise in relation to conventional building standards would be expected.

4.11.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Mobile Health Units are as follows:

- Mobile Healthcare Unit

4.11.3 Optional FPU's

Not Applicable.

4.12 Facility Type: Provision of Health Services

4.12.1 Description

This facility type has the following sub-types:

1. Healthcare Management
2. Employing / Transferring the medical staff
3. Home Care Services
- 4.Medical Professional Development:
 - 4.1. CME/CPD
 - 4.2. Medical Skill Training
- 5.Medical Transport Service
 - 5.1. Vehicle Ambulance
 - 5.2. Air Ambulance

The services provided are not based on a health care building. They are mostly administrative services, provided at the patient's residence or involve patient movement in a safe manner.

There are no design consultants prequalification requirements for this facility type.

4.12.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

There are no mandatory FPU's for this facility type.

4.13 Facility Type: Telemedicine Provider

4.13.1 Description

This category relates to the provision of Telemedicine service. It does not relate to a physical facility.

Applicants must comply with all relevant DOH policies, standards, and directives.

FPU's do not apply to this facility type.

RDL does not apply to this facility type.

There are no design consultants prequalification requirements for this facility type.

4.14 Facility Type: Traditional Complementary and Alternative Medicine

4.14.1 Description

The Facility Type has the following sub-types:

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Homeopathy
- TCM (Traditional Chinese Medicine)
- Ayurveda (Traditional Indian Medicine)
- Naturopathy
- Osteopathy
- Unani.
- Hijama

More than one of the above sub-types may be included in a single facility.

Traditional, Complementary and Alternative Medicine provides various modes of treatment which may complement conventional modern medicine or offer an alternative for the patients.

RDL does not apply to this facility type

There are no design consultants prequalification requirements for this facility type.

4.14.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for Centres are as follows:

- Alternative and Complementary Medicine Centre
- Main Entrance Unit⁽¹⁾
- Public and Staff Amenities Unit⁽¹⁾
- Waste Management Unit⁽¹⁾

4.14.3 Optional FPU's

This section is not applicable.

4.15 Facility Type: Pharmacy Establishment

4.15.1 Description

The Pharmacy Facility Type has the following sub-types:

- Pharmacy
- Drug Store (Medical Store)
- Pharmaceutical Factory
- Scientific Office

This facility type relates to stand-alone retail pharmacies, drug stores (Medical Stores), Drug Manufacturing plant and Scientific offices. This facility type does not relate to a Hospital Inpatient Pharmacy or a Hospital combined Inpatient/ Outpatient Pharmacy.

RDL does not apply to this facility type.

4.15.2 Minimum Mandatory FPU's

The Minimum FPU's for a Pharmacy are

- Pharmacy Unit

There are no FPU's available for Drug Stores or Drug Manufacturing sub-types.

Applicants must comply with all Federal Laws and DOH regulations in relation to Pharmaceutical Establishments.

4.15.3 Optional FPU's

Not Applicable.

4.16 Notes and Clarifications

4.16.1 Facility Types and their requirements:

- The Symbol (1) designates FPU's which may be provided outside the facility as a common provision such as entrance lobby, public amenities etc. These need to be within a reasonable distance of the Facility being licensed. Such common provisions, although necessary will not form part of the license.
- By default, the same RDL applies to the whole facility and the FPU's within the facility unless permitted otherwise by the full **Role Delineation Framework** (refer to **Appendix 6 of Part A**
 - For Design Consultants Prequalification and the definition of Categories, refer to section 4 Prequalification of Health Facility Design Consultants
- When a full-service Catering Unit is not provided, as a minimum a holding and reheating area sized to the facility's requirement must be provided.
- Support services should be sized accordingly to the number of staff, Role delineation level (RDL) and service plan as defined by the Facility. These guidelines do NOT dictate the overall size of the facilities except for the individual room sizes and minimum rooms required. Similarly, the Key Planning Units (e.g. Beds and Operating Rooms etc) are not dictated by these Guidelines. However, some limitations are provided in accordance with the Certificate of Need to avoid unacceptable over-supply.

- Education Unit is mandatory for teaching Hospitals at RDL (Role Delineation Level) 5 and research hospital at RDL 6.
- Co-locating multiple 'Facility Types' is permitted. However, all facilities must be under a single operator's license.
- It should be noted the reference to "Consultant" Categories means Design Consultants, not Medical Consultants.

4.16.2 Co-Existing and Integrated Facilities and Consultants Prequalification

Portions of Health Facility types such as Medical Imaging, Medical Laboratory or Pharmacy (Outpatient) may perform services which are separately covered under these Guidelines Licensing provisions. Where these services operate as an integrated service within the overall Health Facility and benefit from the overall common services, staff and patient flows, they will be regarded as part of the overall Health Facility and therefore fall under its Design Consultants prequalification category appropriate to that facility.

The services which are relatively independent of the overall Health Facility will be regarded as separate facilities under these Guidelines and therefore fall under their separate prequalification levels as listed above.

Here are some examples:

- A Medical Diagnostic Imaging Service within a Hospital will fall under the Hospital's prequalification Level.
- A Dental Clinic on the same grounds as a Day Procedure Centre but operating independently will fall under its own prequalification Level.

Good indicators of integrated services are:

- Common facilities for patient flow management
- Common staff and support facilities
- Requirement for direct, internal patient transfer
- Common paper based medical records
- Common building services including central energy facilities
- Common services equipment such as air handling units

The purpose of this requirement is to ensure that the Design Consultant whose work can potentially affect the functionality of other, more complex and critical areas of Health Facilities are prequalified at the appropriate level.

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