



# PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

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Violation of medical ethics by medical professional is called **Professional Misconduct**. This means that a doctor is guilty of Professional Misconduct when he behaves or performs some acts which are considered disgraceful by other doctors of good repute.

# DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER

- ❖ A complaint against a medical practitioner to the president of the council from a patient, employer or any other forum like Health Departments of the Government/Courts of law initiates proceedings against the medical practitioner.
- ❖ On receipt of such a complain against a registered medical practitioner, a notice is given to him to explain his position.
  - ❖ If the president considers the complain frivolous, it is filed.
- ❖ But if there is any substance worth concern, he receives a warning from the council with the advice to improve himself
- ❖ If the charge against him is serious, amounting to moral turpitude, then his name may be suspended or removed from the register.



# EXAMPLES OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

## Types of Abuse

1. Abuse of medical practitioner's privileges

## Examples

- a) Issuing false medical certificates
- b) Prescribing drugs of addiction for abuse
- c) Disclosing of patient's s secrets.



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2. Abuse of Doctor-Patient  
Relationship

- a) Indecent assault on patient
- b) Adultery with patient
- c) Overcharging patient

3. Abuse of professional knowledge

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Criminal abortion

4. Associating unqualified persons  
in professional work

5. Advertising and convincing with  
a view to have unreasonable gifts



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