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# Chapter – 2 Pharmacy Act 1948

### Pharmacy Council

### State Pharmacy Councils Elected members

- Six members- by registered pharmacist of the state.
- One member elected by the members of MCI Nominated members.
- Five members nominated by the State Government from the persons who hold degree or diploma in pharmacy.
- Ex-officio members.
- Chief administrative Medical Officer of the state.
- Officer in charge of Drugs Control Organization of the State.
- Government Analyst.

Joint State Pharmacy Councils: Two or more states enter into an agreement to form a joint state

pharmacy council Elected members

- Registered pharmacist- 3 to 5 from each state.
- Medical council- 1 from each participating state.

#### Nominated members

 2-4 members nominated by each State Government from the persons who hold degree or diploma in pharmacy.

## **Ex-officio members**

- Chief administrative Medical Officer of each participating state.
- Officer in charge of Drugs Control Organization of each participating State.
- Government Analyst of each participating state.

#### **Election and Terms of office**

- The president and vice president are elected by the members from amongst themselves.
- Period of 5 years.
- Casual vacancy is filled by nomination or election.
- Members are eligible for re-election.
- Possess an executive committee similar to the central council.

**Inspection** The state council may appoint Inspectors having the qualifications as per the Act. Powers:

- 1. Inspect any premises where drugs are compounded and dispensed.
- 2. Enquire whether the person engaged in dispensing is a registered pharmacist or not.
- 3. Institute prosecution under the order of the Executive Committee of the State Council.
- 4. Other essential powers.