



COUNCIL POLICY

Registration in Provisional Other Approved Training, Assessment Candidate Other Approved Training, and Provisional Non-Practicing Classes

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PREAMBLE:

This Policy relates to registration in the following classes:

- provisional (other approved training),
- assessment candidate (other approved training), and
- provisional (non-practicing).

Specific provisions of the *CPSM General Regulation* that apply to each of the above classes of registration are reproduced in this Policy for ease of reference. The purpose of this Policy is to set out additional registration requirements that have been approved by Council.

This Policy addresses what is required for a certificate of registration. It does not deal with the requirements for certificates of practice, which are described at Part 4 of the *CPSM General Regulation*.¹

1. Provisional (other approved training) class**1.1. Purpose and overview**

The provisional (other approved training) class allows for the registration of experienced physicians who do not meet all Specific Requirements for either full licensure (i.e., CCFP², Royal College³ certification, successful completion of MPAP, SEAP affiliate status, approved jurisdictions, or under CFTA) or for registration in the provisional family or specialty practice-limited classes. In particular, this applies to internationally trained physicians who have sufficient training and experience to demonstrate competency but otherwise do not meet traditional requirements.

Applicants for registration in the provisional (other approved training) class must satisfy the following requirements from the *CPSM General Regulation*:^{4, 5}

- the Common Requirements for all registrants of CPSM at s. 3.2,
- the Non-Exemptible Requirements for all Regulated Registrants at s. 3.7, and
- the Specific Requirements for this class at s. 3.21.1(1).

Applicants must commit to work toward achieving the requirements for full licensure within the period specified in their ministerial certificate.⁶ Additional requirements, including terms and conditions of registration and practice supervision, are imposed.

¹ Part 4 of the *CPSM General Regulation* establishes the requirements for issuing a certificate of practice. Of note, s. 4.1 states, "A certificate of registration does not entitle a member to practise medicine. To do so, a member must also hold a certificate of practice. ..."

² Certification from the College of Family Physicians of Canada.

³ Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

⁴ RHPA at s. 32(1).

⁵ Subsection 3.2(1) of the *CPSM General Regulation* at point 8.

⁶ Traditional pathways including CCFP, Royal College certification, or SEAP affiliate status may not be available to these registrants. As such, their pathway to full registration will be via the MPAP.

Applicants must have satisfactorily completed an Approved Assessment to be eligible for registration in the provisional (other approved training) class. The Approved Assessment must be completed while registered in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class (which is also described in this Policy).

1.2. Specific Requirements under the CPSM General Regulation

- 1.2.1. Specific Requirements for provisional (other approved training) class are set out at section 3.21.1 of the *CPSM General Regulation*:

3.21.1(1) Subject to subsection (2), an applicant for registration as a provisional (other approved training) member must

(a) establish that the applicant holds

(i) a medical degree granted from a nationally approved faculty of medicine,⁷ or

(ii) a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from a school in the United States accredited by the American Osteopathic Association Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation;

(b) establish that the applicant has satisfactorily completed a clinical practice program that is approved by the registrar in consultation with the provincial lead;

(c) establish that the applicant holds a certificate issued by the minister stating that the applicant is required to provide medical services in a specified geographical area or practice setting;

(d) if applicable, establish that the applicant has engaged in the professional practice that the applicant intends to practise in Manitoba within the approved time period;⁸

(e) if applicable, provide a description of the continuing professional development activities that the applicant was required to complete as a condition of authorization to practise medicine in any jurisdiction in Canada in the three years immediately preceding the application and indicate how the applicant met those requirements;

(f) establish that the applicant has entered into a satisfactory arrangement with a practice supervisor;

(g) establish that the applicant has

(i) satisfactorily completed an approved assessment in the field of practice in which the applicant is to provide medical services, and

(ii) entered into a satisfactory arrangement with a practice mentor; and

(h) submit to the registrar a written request in a satisfactory form to approve the applicant's registration signed by the provincial lead.

⁷ Defined at s. 1.4. of the *CPSM General Regulation*.

⁸ The approved period is set out in CPSM Practice Direction for Professional Practice and Inactivity.

3.21.1(2) The registrar may register the applicant in this class only if, within the six-month period before the application date, the minister has given the college a notice that there is an urgent need for medical practitioners in the applicant's field of practice in the specified geographical area or practice setting in which the applicant is to provide medical services.

3.21.1(3) The following definitions apply in this section.

"clinical practice program" means

(a) a clinical internship or training obtained as part of a medical education; or

(b) post-graduate clinical practice experience;

that is recognized by the regulatory authority governing the practice of medicine in another jurisdiction as providing an applicant with the qualifications to engage in the practice of medicine in the field of practice in which the applicant is to provide medical services.

"provincial lead" means a person appointed as the lead physician in the field of practice in which an applicant is to provide medical services by the provincial health authority established or designated under The Health System Governance and Accountability Act.

1.3. Approving clinical practice programs (ss. 3.21.1(1)(b))

- 1.3.1. This class of registration requires a context-specific and individualistic review of an applicant's credentials. In this respect, the Registrar is responsible for approving an applicant's clinical practice program in accordance with clause 3.21.1(1)(b) of the *CPSM General Regulation*. This is done in consultation with the provincial specialty lead, who is required to submit to the registrar a written request in a satisfactory form to approve the applicant's registration as part of the process (see subsection 3.21.1(1)(b)). Approval is intended to confirm that the program provided training or clinical practice experience that is sufficient, relevant, and appropriate to the field of practice in which the applicant is to provide medical services in Manitoba.

- 1.3.1.1. In deciding whether to approve a clinical practice program, the Registrar may consider whether the program is recognized by the medical regulator or other competent authority in the jurisdiction where it was completed.
 - 1.3.1.2. The Registrar may also consider whether the program included direct clinical training or supervised post-graduate clinical practice experience in the applicant's intended field of practice.
 - 1.3.1.3. The Provincial Lead's input should address whether the program is substantially relevant to the scope, complexity, and practice expectations of the field in Manitoba.
 - 1.3.1.4. The Registrar may require any documents, verifications, or further information reasonably necessary to assess the program.
- 1.3.2. Approval may be given on a case-by-case basis and may be limited to a particular applicant, field of practice, or category of program.
- 1.4. Currency in practice requirement (ss. 3.21.1(d))
 - 1.4.1. Applicants who do not meet the currency in practice requirement at subsection 3.21.1(1)(d) of the *CPSM General Regulation* are not eligible for provisional (other approved training) class registration. They may be eligible for registration in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class for the purpose of undergoing an assessment (see section 3.43.1 of the *CPSM General Regulation*).
 - 1.4.1.1. The currency in practice requirement is further described in CPSM's Practice Direction for Professional Practice and Inactivity.
 - 1.4.1.2. This assessment candidate (re-entry to practice) class is further described in CPSM's Council Policy for the Assessment Candidate (Re-Entry to Practice) Class.⁹
- 1.5. Assessment requirement (ss. 3.21.1(1)(g)(i))

Approved Assessments

- 1.5.1. Subsection 3.21.1(1)(g)(i) of the *CPSM General Regulation* states that applicants for registration in the provisional (other approved training) class are required to establish that they have satisfactorily completed an Approved Assessment in the field of practice in which they are to provide

⁹ If an applicant does not meet both the currency in practice requirement (ss. 3.21.1(1)(d)) and the approved assessment requirement (ss. 3.21.1(1)(g)(i)), then assessment candidate registration under section 3.44 and 3.43.1 may be blended if all other applicable registration requirements are met.

medical services. Practice assessments that have been approved by Council for the provisional (other approved training) class are as follows:

- 1.5.1.1. Participation in the Manitoba Practice Ready Assessment for Emergency Medicine ("PRA MB-EM") offered through the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Candidates who have not completed an Approved Assessment

- 1.5.2. Candidates who do not establish that they have satisfactorily completed an Approved Assessment are not eligible for the provisional (other approved training) class of registration. However, they may be eligible for registration in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class for the purpose of undergoing an Approved Assessment (see section 3.43.1 of the *CPSM General Regulation*).
- 1.5.3. For registration in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class, applicants must meet all other requirements for registration in the provisional (other approved training) class, but for subsection 3.21.1(1)(g), and must establish that they:
 - 1.5.3.1. have been accepted into an Approved Assessment, and
 - 1.5.3.2. have an employment offer to engage in their professional practice in a specific geographical area or practice setting that is approved by the Minister.
- 1.5.4. The assessment candidate (other approved training) class is further described below.

1.6. Terms and conditions

- 1.6.1. Provisional (other approved training) class registration is time limited and subject to restrictions imposed by the Minister's certificate. Section 3.21.2 of the *CPSM General Regulation* provides:

3.21.2(1) A person may be registered as a provisional (other approved training) member for the time period specified in the person's ministerial certificate.

3.21.2(2) A person may be registered as a provisional (other approved training) member to practise in a specific geographical area or practice setting as specified in the person's ministerial certificate.

- 1.6.2. Provisional (other approved training) class registrants must be supervised in respect to their professional practice and must work toward full registration:

3.21.3 As a condition of registration, a provisional (other approved training) member must

(a) be working towards meeting the requirements to be registered as a full (practising) member by obtaining the designation of "successful in the MPAP" in the area in which the applicant is assessed;

(b) have a practice supervisor; and

(c) comply with any other conditions imposed by the registrar.

- 1.6.3. Practice supervision must accord with the requirements of the [Council Policy for Supervision of Provisional Registrants](#).

1.7. Conversion to another class

- 1.7.1. Registration in the provisional (other approved training) class is limited to a period set by the ministerial certificate. By the end of that period, to maintain registration, the member must convert to another class for which they are eligible, for example the provisional (MPAP) class or the full (practicing) class. Members in the provisional (other approved training) class may also be converted to the provisional (non-practicing) class in certain specified circumstances. Conversion is governed by sections 3.74 and 3.75 of the *CPSM General Regulation*, which provide:

3.74(1) If

... (b.1) a provisional (other approved training) member in good standing;

...

ceases to have a practice supervisor, the registrar may change the member's registration to provisional (non-practising) membership for a period of not more than 30 days from the date the member ceases to have a practice supervisor.

3.74(2) If the member enters into a subsequent satisfactory arrangement with a practice supervisor before the 30-day period expires, the registrar may change the member's registration to the applicable class listed in subsection (1).

3.75 Upon receiving a designation of "successful in the MPAP" or otherwise completing the requirements for full (practising) membership under section 3.8, a member's registration in (b.1) the provisional (other approved training) class;

...

may be changed by the registrar to the full (practising) class.

- 1.7.2. If the 30-day period contemplated under section 3.74 of the *CPSM General Regulation* expires without the registrant identifying a new supervisor, then the registrant's registration is cancelled as they no longer meet registration requirements.

1.8. Cancellation

- 1.8.1. Section 3.84 of the *CPSM General Regulation* provides as follows:

3.84(1) The registration of a ... provisional (other approved training) member ... is cancelled on the earliest occurrence of the following:

(a) the ministerial certificate is revoked or lapses;

...

(c) the member's certification by the Royal College, American Board of Medical Specialties, or CFPC, as the case may be, is revoked for cause;

(d) the specified or extended membership period ends;

(e) the member receives the designation of "unsuccessful in the MPAP";

(f) the member ceases to practise in Manitoba.

3.84(2) A person whose registration is cancelled under clause (1)(d) or (e) may apply for registration only as a regulated associate member in one of the following classes:

(a) educational (medical student);

(b) educational (physician assistant);

(c) educational (resident);

(d) clinical assistant (full)

3.84(3) To avoid doubt, a person whose registration is cancelled under clause (1)(d) or (e) is not permitted to apply for any class of regulated or regulated associate membership other than the ones listed in clauses (2)(a) to (d).

2. Assessment candidate (other approved training) class

The assessment candidate (other approved training) class is intended for candidates who do not meet all Specific Requirements for registration in the provisional (other approved training) class. It is to allow for the candidate to undergo an Approved Assessment in a defined field of practice.

To be considered for registration, applicants must establish they have been accepted into an Approved Assessment and that they have an employment offer to engage in their professional practice in a specific geographical area or practice setting that is approved by the Minister.

2.1. Specific requirements under the CPSM General Regulation

2.1.1. Specific requirements for the assessment candidate (specialty practice) class are set out at section 3.43.1 of the *CPSM General Regulation*:

3.43.1(1) Subject to subsection (2), the registrar may register an applicant in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class if the applicant establishes that the applicant

(a) meets the requirements for registration as a provisional other approved training) member in subsection 3.21.1(1) other than the requirements to

(i) enter into a satisfactory arrangement with a practice supervisor under clause 3.21.1(1)(f), and

(ii) complete an approved assessment in the applicant's field of practice and enter into a satisfactory arrangement with a practice mentor under clause 3.21.1(1)(g);

(b) intends to practise in a field of practice approved for this membership class;

(c) has been accepted into an approved assessment in the applicant's field of practice; and

(d) has an employment offer to engage in the applicant's professional practice in a specific geographical area or practice setting that is approved by the minister.

3.43.1(2) The registrar may register the applicant in this class only if, within the six-month period before the application date, the minister has given the college a notice that there is an urgent need for medical practitioners in the applicant's field of practice in the specified geographical area or practice setting in which the applicant is to provide medical services.

2.2. Accepted into an approved assessment

- 2.2.1. Approved Assessments are set out at clause 1.5 of this Policy.
- 2.2.2. CPSM will not accept an application for registration in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class unless it is supported by a letter of eligibility from the Director for the Approved Assessment.

2.3. Employment offer

- 2.3.1. CPSM will not accept an application for registration in the assessment candidate (other approved training) class unless it is supported by an employment offer to engage in professional practice in a specific geographical area or practice setting that is approved by the Minister.

2.4. Time limited registration

- 2.4.1. Registration in this class is time limited. Section 3.43.2(1) of the *CPSM General Regulation* provides:

3.43.2(1) A person may be registered as an assessment candidate (other approved training) member for a time period of up to 12 months, which may be extended in accordance with sections 3.71 to 3.73.

3.43.2(2) The time period described in subsection (1) does not include the time period for the orientation program referred to in section 3.43.3.

- 2.4.2. Under section 3.71 of the *CPSM General Regulation*, the Registrar may extend the usual twelve (12) month period of registration for up to an additional twelve (12) months, subject to any conditions that the Registrar considers advisable. The registrant must apply in writing for an extension before their registration period expires and set out the reasons for the extension request.
- 2.4.3. In accordance with section 3.71 of the *CPSM General Regulation*, the extension may be granted if the Registrar determines that the member requires the extension due to an extended absence from professional practice due to a medical condition or for a statutory or approved leave. In any application for an extension, the onus is on the registrant to demonstrate that the extension should be granted, and the following conditions must be met:

2.4.3.1. The registrant must be eligible to receive a satisfactory certificate of good standing.

2.4.3.2. The registrant must undertake to complete the assessment promptly.

2.4.4. Sections 3.72 and 3.73 of the *CPSM General Regulation* require that the Registrar provide written reasons for their approval or refusal of the extension and, if the Registrar does not grant an extension, the applicant has a right of appeal.

2.5. Terms and conditions

2.5.1. Registration in this class is restricted to a specific practice setting and professional practice and may be subject to completing an orientation. Subsections 3.43.2(3) and 3.43.3 of the *CPSM General Regulation* provide:

3.43.2(3) A person may be registered as an assessment candidate (other approved training) member to practise in a specific practice setting.

3.43.3 As a condition of registration, the registrar may require that an assessment candidate (other approved training) member complete an orientation program within a time period approved in accordance with a national standard.

2.6. Conversion to provisional registration

2.6.1. Subsection 3.77(2.1) of the *CPSM General Regulation* provides:

3.77(2.1) Upon successful completion of the approved assessment in the field of practice of an assessment candidate (other approved training), the registration of the assessment candidate may be changed by the registrar to provisional (other approved training) membership.

2.7. Cancellation

2.7.1. Assessment candidate (other approved training) registration is cancelled in the following circumstances:

3.91 The registration of an ... assessment candidate (other approved training) member is cancelled on the earliest occurrence of the following:

(a) the specified or extended membership period ends;

- (b) the member completes his or her assessment and the registrar receives the assessment results and changes his or her membership class as provided for in subsection 3.77(1) or (2);*
- (c) the member fails the assessment or fails to complete it.*

3. Provisional (non-practising) class

- 3.1. The provisional (non-practising) class is intended for provisional registrants who take a leave of absence with the intent to return to practice. For example, this may occur due to a gap in supervision, or a medical leave of absence.
- 3.2. To convert to the provisional (non-practising) class, the registrant must meet the specific requirements set out at subsection 3.34 of the *CPSM General Regulation*:

3.34(1) An applicant for registration as a provisional (non-practising) member must establish that he or she was registered in good standing in one of the following membership classes immediately before applying for non-practising membership:

- (a) provisional (academic — s. 181 faculty);*
- (b) provisional (specialty practice-limited);*
- (c) provisional (family practice-limited);*
- (c.1.) provisional (other approved training);*
- (d) provisional (public health officer).*

- 3.3. As an exception to the usual requirement for an application to convert between classes of registration, section 3.79 of the *CPSM General Regulation* provides:

3.79 If a member fails to renew or voluntarily surrenders his or her certificate of practice, the registrar may change the member's registration to the applicable non-practising class.

- 3.4. Conversion to the provisional (non-practising) class will be the usual default for registrants who no longer hold a valid certificate of practice (e.g., if it was not renewed or their Practice Supervisor resigns).
- 3.5. The maximum registration period for registrants who convert from the provisional (other approved training) class to the provisional (non-practising) class is indicated at section 3.35 of the *CPSM General Regulation*:

The maximum time period for provisional (non-practising) membership for a member who was previously registered as a ... provisional (other approved training) member is the remaining time period that he or she had under ... subsection 3.21.2(1) ..., with any extensions approved before he or she was registered under this section.