

# General Register Policy

POLICY TITLE	General Register – Academic Appointment
PURPOSE	Ensure all physicians, surgeons and osteopaths registered to practise medicine in Alberta with ongoing academic appointments have the required training and competencies to practise medicine safely.
SCOPE	<p>This policy applies to physicians, surgeons and osteopaths who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have been registered on CPSA’s <b>Provisional Register Conditional Practice (Academic Appointment)</b> for over five years,</li> <li>• have an <b>ongoing</b> full-time academic appointment and</li> <li>• were recruited by a Faculty of Medicine in Alberta.</li> </ul>
NOTES	<p>This form of registration is valid only while the member’s academic appointment is ongoing. This registration is not mobile under the Canada Free Trade Agreement because it is conditional on an academic appointment.</p> <p>If candidates do not hold an academic appointment, they are required to satisfy the criteria of the General Register.</p> <p>Candidates with part-time academic, special continuing or clinical academic appointments are not eligible for this form of registration and must satisfy all of the requirements of the General Register or the Provisional Register Conditional Practice.</p> <p>Candidates are accountable for their medical practice without supervision by another physician or CPSA, and are the most responsible physician in the care of their patients.</p>

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## POLICY STATEMENT

Physicians, surgeons and osteopaths with ongoing academic appointments who are registered on the Provisional Register Conditional Register, are accountable for their medical practice and are the most responsible physician in the care of their patients must:

- 1) Have satisfactorily completed **five years of practice in Alberta under the Provisional Register Conditional Practice Academic Appointment** registration category; and

- 2) Demonstrate **good standing with CPSA**. This includes no outstanding matter(s), including:
  - a) an open complaint,
  - b) an open intervention with one of the Continuing Competence programs,
  - c) an open intervention with any of the CPSA departments,
  - d) non-compliance with the CPSA Continuous Professional Development (CPD) rules or
  - e) non-compliance with practice restrictions or conditions.
- 3) Submit a satisfactory [criminal record check](#).
- 4) Provide **evidence confirming the member is appointed as a full-time academic** from the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine.

Any professional conduct matters are considered on an individual basis prior to making a decision regarding eligibility for the General Register. This includes those that have resulted in:

- 1) A hearing where the physician has been found guilty of professional misconduct,
- 2) A formal agreement with CPSA,
- 3) A referral to CPSA's Continuing Competence department or
- 4) Practice restrictions.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- [Provisional Register Policy: Conditional Practice - Academic Appointment](#)

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Registrar is given the authority to determine applications for registration under sections 28 to 30 of the *Health Professions Act* (HPA). Section 20 of the HPA allows the Registrar to delegate functions and duties to another person. The Registrar has delegated his duties and responsibility under Part 2 of the HPA to the Deputy Registrar responsible for registration.

## **APPROVAL**

Council governing the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta

## **AUTHORITY DOCUMENTS**

- [Health Professions Act](#)
- [Health Professions Act: Physicians, Surgeons, Osteopaths and Physician Assistants Profession Regulation](#)
- [CPSA Bylaws](#)