

POLICY TITLE	Provisional Register Transfer to General Register
PURPOSE	Ensure physicians on the Provisional Register have the required knowledge, clinical skills and competencies to practise medicine safely in Alberta in order to transfer to the General Register.
SCOPE	<p>Under the Physicians, Surgeons and Osteopaths Regulations, registration on the Provisional Register is valid for a maximum of six years.</p> <p>Physicians who are on the Provisional Register Conditional Practice are eligible to transfer to the General Register immediately once they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have obtained the Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada (LMCC); and • have obtained certification from the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC). <p>Physicians may also be eligible for transfer under the substantial equivalency route or following successful completion of a summative, practice-based assessment in a Canadian jurisdiction.</p>
NOTES	<p>The criteria for transfer to the General Register will depend on the candidates' most recent Registration Understanding and Acknowledgment (RUA).</p> <p>Physicians who are on the Provisional Register for an academic appointment should review CPSA GEN REG Academic Appointment Policy.</p>

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POLICY STATEMENT

CPSA Provisional Register members must meet a number of requirements in order to be eligible to transfer to the CPSA General Register. They must:

- 1) Successfully complete the Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination Part 1 (MCCQE1); and
- 2) Have practiced independently on a provisional license in Canada; and
- 3) Provide evidence that they have completed at least five years of satisfactory practice in Canada if requested.

- 4) Provide evidence of 5 years of active practice in any jurisdiction and in the 1 year preceding transfer to General Register, must be in full time, continuous practice in Alberta or 12 months within the prior 3 years.
- 5) Have certification with the CFPC, RCPSC or the CMQ; **or**
Successful completion of a summative, practice-based assessment in a Canadian jurisdiction.
- 6) To be currently in good standing with CPSA and to satisfactorily resolve any outstanding matters with professional conduct, continuing competence or other interventions.
- 7) Be enrolled in, and compliant with either the CFPC's [Mainpro+](#) program **or** RCPSC's Maintenance of Competence (MOC).
- 8) Satisfactorily complete all conditions on the Provisional Register, as outlined on their current RUA.
- 9) Provide evidence that they are currently in practice in Alberta if requested.
- 10) Provide CPSA with source verification documents through [Physiciansapply.ca](#)
- 11) Submit a satisfactory [criminal record check](#).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- [Criminal Record Check](#)
- [Medical Council of Canada](#)
- [College of Family Physicians of Canada](#)
- [Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada](#)
- [Mainpro+](#)
- [Maintenance of Competence](#)
- [Physiciansapply](#)

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](#)