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### 1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to delegate to the Registrar the authority to recognize jurisdictions as substantially equivalent for registration purposes, while ensuring Council oversight is maintained in a flexible and efficient manner.

### 2.0 Scope/Application & Authorities

Consistent with CPSA Bylaws, Council delegates to the Registrar the authority to:

- Assess and recognize jurisdictions as having substantially equivalent registration requirements to those of Alberta.
- Maintain and update the list of recognized jurisdictions as necessary.

This policy is made under section 19 of the *Health Professions Act* and pertains to Council’s responsibilities under section 28(2)(b) of the *Health Professions Act* and section 4(a) of the *Physicians, Surgeons, Osteopaths, and Physician Assistants Profession Regulation*.

### 3.0 Policy Details

#### 3.1 Principles for Recognition

In assessing substantial equivalence, the Registrar must be guided by the following principles:

- Entry-to-practice education and clinical training standards.
- Assessment and examination processes.
- Professional regulatory frameworks, including standards of practice, ethics, and continuing competence.
- Public safety and risk management considerations.

The Registrar may establish and apply additional detailed criteria and processes as needed.

#### 3.2 Oversight and Accountability

The Registrar will:

- Provide Council with an annual summary of recognized jurisdictions, including any additions, removals, or major reconsiderations.

- Immediately notify Council of any emerging issues that could materially impact public safety or professional competence.
- Make the current list of recognized jurisdictions available on the CPSA website.

Council retains the authority to:

- Request information or reports related to recognized jurisdictions at any time.
- Amend, suspend, or revoke this delegation at its discretion.

**Relevant Documents**

- Health Professions Act
- Health Professions Act, Physicians, Surgeons, Osteopaths, and Physician Assistants Profession Regulation
- CPSA Bylaws

**Document History**

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