



Temporary Full Licence

Licensing Policy

A Temporary Full Licence may be issued to a physician who wishes to practice in Newfoundland and Labrador for a period no more than 90 days in a licensing year.

Scope

This policy applies only to physicians who hold an unrestricted Full Licence to Practice Medicine issued by another Canadian Province or Territory.

Definitions

Full Licence a licence deemed equivalent to the College's Full Licence (e.g. a Full, General, or Regular Licence).

Home Jurisdiction the location where a physician holds a Full Licence and practices the majority of the time.

Policy

To be eligible for a Temporary Full Licence from the College, an applicant must:

- submit the applicable form;
- hold a Full Licence issued by a Canadian Medical Regulatory Authority which is free from interim or permanent conditions, restrictions, or voluntary undertakings in their intended scope of practice;
- hold professional liability coverage which meets the College's requirements; and
- not be subject to pending or ongoing disciplinary or criminal proceedings in any jurisdiction.

Eligibility requirements will be confirmed by the College through review of a Certificate of Professional Conduct from the applicant's Home Jurisdiction and/or the physician's profile on the National Physician Registry. The College may make further inquiries, as it deems appropriate, to confirm the applicant's eligibility to its satisfaction.

When practicing under a Temporary Full Licence, a physician must:

- continue to meet all eligibility criteria; and
- abide by all College By-Laws, Standards of Practice, and Practice Guidelines.

Physicians practicing under a Temporary Full Licence are exempt from College Continuing Professional Development requirements, Quality programs, and mandatory courses while practicing under the Temporary Full Licence.

A Temporary Full Licence shall not be issued for more than 90 days within a licensing year. A new application form must be submitted for each iteration of the Licence.

Should a physician wish to practice in Newfoundland and Labrador for greater than 90 days, the physician must meet all College licensure requirements and provide any additionally requested documentation.

References

[Medical Regulations, 2023](#) – Section 3(1)(c), (d)(i)(D) and (ii)(D)

Related Documents

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Document History

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