



College of
Registered Nurses
of Manitoba

Registration in Emergency Situations - Temporary RN(EP)/NP Status

Registration Fact Sheet

Introduction

During an emergency, the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba (the College) can expedite the registration of qualified nurse practitioners from other jurisdictions or individuals previously registered as an RN(EP)/NP in Manitoba by temporarily registering them on the temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP register. The College believes that the prompt registration of these health care professionals is an essential component of emergency health care planning and a benefit to the public.

Registration on the temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP register for the purpose of responding to an emergency lasts for a maximum of 120 days. There is no processing or registration fee. Only previous Manitoba practicing RN(EP)/NP registrants and nurse practitioners currently registered in active practice in another Canadian jurisdiction can register for temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP status for emergency situations.

The College's executive director will declare whether a situation is deemed to be an emergency.

Who is Eligible?

Current Registered Nurse (Extended Practice)/NP in Canada

To qualify for registration for temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP status for emergencies, a nurse practitioner from another Canadian jurisdiction must:

- Confirm that she/he is applying to practice in Manitoba for the sole purpose of providing assistance during an emergency situation;
- Provide information on all requirements applicable to temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP Status;
- Authorize her/his current employer and/or previous employers to provide information on current practice;
- Authorize the nursing regulatory body with which she/he currently holds registration/licensure to provide confirmation of the applicant's registration/licensure; and
- Provide a copy of her/his current certificate of registration/license from her/his jurisdiction and proof of identity.

Previous Manitoba Registrants

To qualify for registration for temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP status for emergencies, former Manitoba registrant must:

- Confirm that she/he is applying to practice in Manitoba for the sole purpose of providing assistance during an emergency situation;
- Provide information on all requirements applicable to temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP status;
- Authorize her/his previous employer and/or previous employers to provide information on previous practice; and
- Provide proof of identity.

Limited Scope of Practice

Previously registered RN(EP)/NPs may have restrictions placed on their scope of practice depending on how long they have been away from active practice. These restrictions are in place to help ensure the delivery of safe, competent care. The categories will exist based on years away from active practice as an RN(EP)/NP.

Category I

Away from active practice for less than 3 years.

- No restrictions on scope of practice.

Category II

Away from active practice more than 3 years, but less than 5 years.

- Reviewed on a case-by-case basis, but typically those approved for Category II may not be in charge of a nursing unit, and must practice with another RN(EP)/NP (other than those holding temporary practicing status) or a physician readily available for in-person consultation.

Category III

Away from active practice more than 5 years.

- Reviewed on a case-by-case basis, but typically not eligible for temporary registered nurse (extended practice) registration.

Agreement Required

Applicant must complete and submit a temporary registered nurse (extended practice)/NP status agreement/undertaking. The agreement/undertaking allows the College to rapidly access vital practice and registration information directly from the applicant's employer and/or former employers, and/or the applicant's current regulatory body (if applicable) so it can process the application quickly.

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