



College of
Registered Nurses
of Manitoba

Instructions for Internationally Educated Nurses (IENs) – Expedited Registration Pathway

Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, or the United Kingdom

Effective June 1, 2026

Application Process

Our primary mode of communication with applicants is by email. Please provide a valid email address on your application form and check your email (including your junk folder) on a regular basis. Once your application has been reviewed, you will receive a confirmation email outlining all requirements needed to complete the application process.

In order to practise as a registered nurse in Manitoba and use the designation registered nurse, RN or graduate nurse, GN, you must hold a valid certificate of practice with the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba (the College) in the registered nurse membership class or the graduate nurse membership class.

Please review the eligibility criteria including required education, recency of practice and licensure requirements outlined in the [IEN Handbook](#) to ensure this is the correct application pathway for you.

***Application processing fees are non-refundable, therefore we strongly recommend applicants carefully review eligibility criteria and requirements for registration prior to submitting their application to the College.**

* Specialized nursing degrees ie. psychiatry/mental health, adult, pediatrics, or midwifery that restricted your area of practice are not accepted for the purposes of the expedited registration pathway.

If you do not meet all eligibility criteria, you are not eligible to apply through the expedited registration pathway. You may be eligible to apply through the standard IEN application pathway. Please review application eligibility and requirements in the [IEN Handbook](#). If you meet the requirements for the standard application pathway, please complete the Internationally Educated Nurse Applicant form and choose **‘Standard’** as the Applicant Type.

Application instructions for the standard application pathway can be found here:

<https://www.crnmb.ca/applicants/internationally-educated-nurses/>

Step 1

Internationally educated nurse applicants under the expedited registration pathway for applicants from Australia, Ireland, New Zealand and the UK must first apply for an educational credential assessment from an accepted service provider, as identified in policy [AA-9: Documents from Third Parties](#). Once your educational credential assessment report has been completed, you can begin the application process to the College. ECA reports received without an open application will only be retained by the College for 30 days. ECA reports are to be submitted to the College by the ECA provider directly.

Step 2

□ Internationally Educated Nurse – Expedited Application Form and Fee

To access the Internationally Educated Applicant – Expedited application, you must first [create an account](#) with the College. Once complete, please log into your CRNM Profile and find the Internationally Educated Applicant form located in the *Applications* section on the homepage. Click ‘**Apply**’ to begin completing the application form. Please choose “**Expedited**” as the Applicant Type. The application form must be submitted along with the non-refundable application processing fee.

Application processing fee: **\$483.00 CAD**.

□ Proof of identification

Acceptable forms of identification include a copy of your:

- passport
- permanent resident card
- driver’s license
- other government-issued picture identification and marriage/divorce certificate (only to verify name change)

A copy of your photo identification can be uploaded through your CRNM profile when you are completing your application form.

Step 3

We require the following items before your application will be considered complete and brought forward for assessment:

□ Educational Credential Assessment Report (ECA)

Sent to us directly from an accepted ECA provider by email to: registration@crnm.mb.ca. If NNAS or WES is the chosen ECA provider, the College will retrieve the report directly from NNAS or WES on your behalf once you have opened your application with the College

□ Background checks

The following three checks are required:

- nationwide criminal record check (with vulnerable sector search)
- adult abuse registry check
- child abuse registry check

Please review the [Background Checks Fact Sheet](#) for details on what is required and how you can obtain these documents. The background check documents can be uploaded in your CRNM profile once your application has been reviewed by College staff.

□ Verification of Registration

Verification of all current registrations as well as any registrations held in the previous seven years is required. Complete the upper portion of the [Request for Verification of Registration](#) form and submit it to the appropriate regulatory body/bodies where you have been registered. The regulatory bodies must complete the form and return it directly to the College. Verifications of registration are valid for one year from the date they were completed or sooner if an expiry date is indicated.

□ Verification of Practice Hours

Verification of your registered nursing practice hours for the previous five years is required from your employer(s). Please complete the upper portion of the [Request for Verification of Practice Hours](#) form and submit it to all employers for whom you have worked as a registered nurse in the past five years. The employers must complete the form and return it directly to the College by email to: hours@crnm.mb.ca.

□ English Language Proficiency

It is recognized that a high degree of proficiency in reading, writing, listening, and speaking in English is extremely important for providing safe registered nursing care in Manitoba. Demonstrated English language proficiency is one element of fitness to engage in registered nursing practice. Applicants are required to demonstrate English language proficiency to be approved to write the NCLEX-RN or approved for RN registration if the NCLEX-RN has already been written.

For information on ways English language proficiency can be demonstrated, as well as information on benchmark scores and appropriate type of language test, please see [Policy AA-2 Language Proficiency](#) on our website.

Next Steps

If there are inconsistencies in any of the information you provide during the application process, we reserve the right to require additional supporting documentation, which may be over and above the items outlined above. The College may make improvements or changes to the information described at any time without notice.

Following receipt of the registration requirements outlined above, your application will be reviewed and assessed to ensure you meet initial registration requirements.

□ Completion of the *Registered Nurse Practice Course*

Successful completion of the online course [Registered Nurse Practice Course \(NRSG-1012\)](#) offered through Red River College Polytech is required before completing the last steps in the registration process. Previous completion of the course within one year of your application to the College will be accepted. For enrollment information please contact Red River College Polytech at: <https://www.rrc.ca>.

□ Exam Eligibility

Once you have successfully completed the Registered Nurse Practice course, you will be notified that you are eligible to apply to write the NCLEX-RN. You must write and pass the exam to be eligible to apply for registration with the College. If you have already passed the NCLEX-RN, you do not need to write the exam again.

☐ Supervised Practice or Transitional Practice Experience

Once all requirements noted above are met, you are eligible for RN registration with no limit on scope of practice. with the condition of either:

- 250 hours of supervised practice for applicants who have graduated within the last two years and do not meet the minimum number of practice hours identified under eligibility criteria, or;
- 250 transitional practice hours.

Supervised or transitional practice hours must be completed within one year of the date of registration and accrued with a designated employer as identified in the [Designated Employers for Supervised and Transitional Practice policy AA-31](#).

Fees

Registration fees vary depending on the time of year. You can find a full list of fees on our website:

<https://www.crnmb.ca/applicants/internationally-educated-nurses/>

Questions?

Contact a registration advisor Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

204-774-3477 ext. 300

1-800-665-2027 ext. 300 (toll-free in Manitoba)

registration@crnm.mb.ca

Please note: Applications remain open for six months.