



Key Statistics from Q2 (April- June 2026)



Introduction

This quarterly report reflects key priorities the College is undertaking within our strategic plan. The objective of this report is to communicate key data and information about the functions of the College. Quarters are numbered according to the calendar year. Reports will be posted approximately two months following the conclusion of the quarter being reported.

We encourage readers with questions to directly reach out to us at info@crnm.mb.ca.

The following data and information concentrate on key functions of three of the College's departments: Registration, Quality Practice & Professional Conduct.

Total registrants with a valid certificate of practice, broken down by designation

Subregister Categories	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
Registered Nurses	14,503	14,896	15,175*	14,849	15,171
Nurse Practitioners	363	377	409	413	426
Registered Nurses (Authorized Prescriber)	90	90	90	86	86
Graduate Nurse				9	24
Graduate Nurse Practitioners				0	0
Temporary Registered Nurses	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14,956	15,363	15,674	15,357	15,707

Note that the GN and GNP data are new additions as of Q1 2026. They were not considered in the calculations of quarterly reports issued prior to Q1 2026.

At the end of Q2 2026, the College has already exceeded the number of registrants it had at the end of 2025. This signals overall growth in 2026 as more registrants are expected to join the register from July-December. In the past 12 months (since Q2 2025), the College has seen 4.8% growth in the number of registrants on the register. Notable growth in the number of NPs has been occurring in 2026. By the end of Q2 2026, the number of NPs on the register has already increased by 4.2% since the end of 2025. While the number of GNs has increased significantly from Q1 to Q2 2026, it would be premature to provide any analysis given the recency of this addition and the lack of historical quarterly data to compare it to.

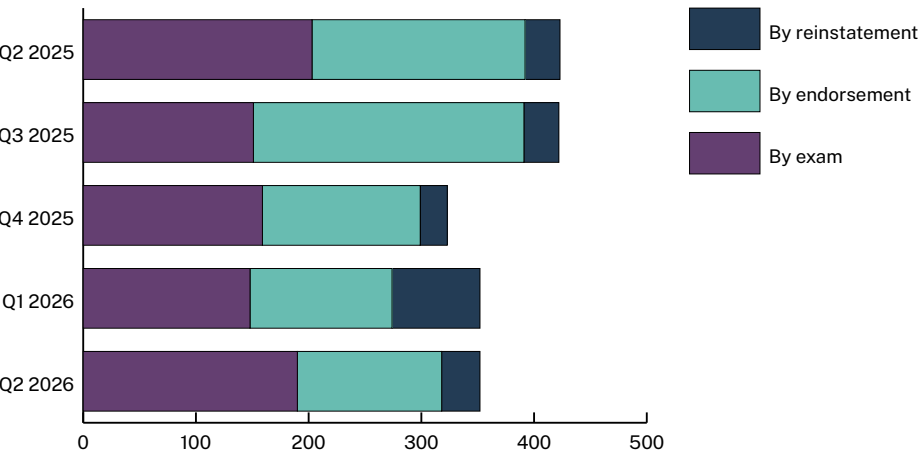
NEW: Total number of registrants who have reported employment to the College

Employment Reported	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
With employment listed	14,602	14,670
Without employment listed	755	1,037
Total	15,357	15,707

While this data may provide some insightful information regarding the workforce, please note that is it based on self-reported and self-updated employment information. As such, it should be interpreted and referenced with caution.

While the proportion of registrants without employment increased from Q1 2026 (4.9%) to Q2 2026 (6.6%), a single quarter increase in registrants without employment listed should not be seen as a cause for concern. This indicator must be considered and analyzed over a longer period of time. Because the number of new registrants added to the register varies by quarter, so too will the number of registrants reporting employment. When an applicant becomes newly registered, it should be expected that it will take a certain period of time for them to secure a nursing position or nursing work. Under the College’s bylaws, registrants are required to report any changes in employment within 30 days to the College.

The total number of new registrants added, broken down by method of registration



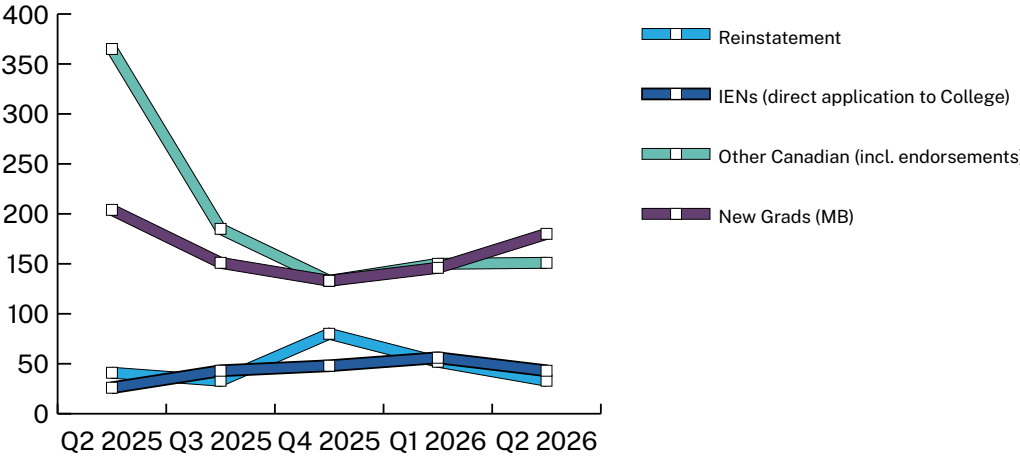
Reinstatement applications typically decline after Q1 as reinstatements often occur as registrants seek to be reinstated early in the new year (e.g., Q1) after missing the previous year’s registration renewal period. In Q2 2026, new registrants added via reinstatement returned to average numbers, following the expected spike in Q1.

There are a very small number of applicants who do not fall into one of these three methods.

The number of new registrants added was the same in Q2 2026 as it was in Q1 2026. However, compared to the number added in the same quarter of the previous year (Q2 2025), the Q2 2026 number is 16.8% lower. Caution should be exercised in drawing conclusions from a comparison between consecutive quarters (e.g. comparing Q1 to Q2). A more informative comparison is between the same quarters of previous years (e.g. Q2 2025 to Q2 2026) as this approach is better at accounting for the expected fluctuations in new registrations that occur at different times of the registration year. New registrations via exam were higher in Q2 2026 (+28.4%) than in Q1 2026. However, the number was similar to what it was in Q2 2025.

Total number of new applications initiated, broken down by application type

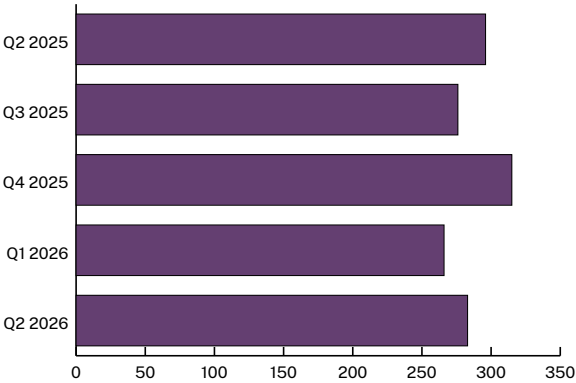
The significant difference in application numbers observable when comparing Q2 2025 to Q2 2026 (-35.7%) largely relates to the spike in labour mobility applications that had occurred in Q2 2025 as a result of the government directive on labour mobility. Stabilization in the number of this type of application has occurred since that time, which has brought overall applications per quarter down to average levels.



At this time last year (Q2 2025), the College experienced a spike in labour mobility applications due to the Government of Manitoba directing the College to remove its currency of practice requirement for labour mobility applicants. This led to an initial surge in labour mobility applications immediately following the removal of this requirement. In this regard, Q2 2025 numbers were an anomaly and, therefore, are not suitable for comparative analysis. The number of new applications initiated in Q2 2026 appears to be average, although the proportion that are new grad applications was higher in Q2 2026 than in Q1 2026. It is common for this category of applications to be somewhat higher in Q2.

Total number of Quality Practice (QP) consultations, broken down by top 3 themes

The College’s QP department fields inquiries from nurses, employers, or members of the public who are seeking information and guidance on regulatory processes, practice directions, practice expectations, and the professional scope of practice applicable to registered nurses and nurse practitioners in Manitoba.



Top Three Themes of Q2 2026

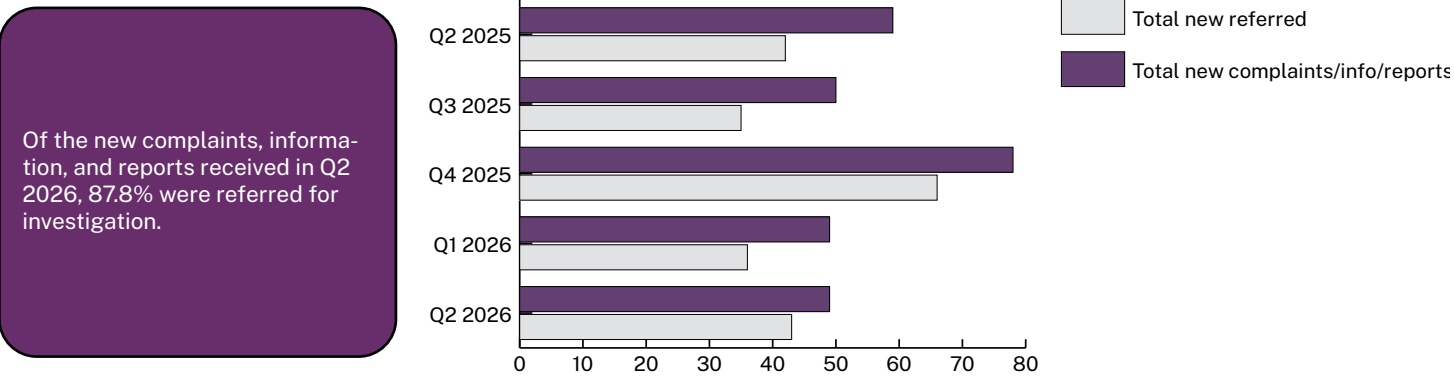
Scope of Practice

Self-Employed

Professional Conduct

There were more QP consultations in Q2 2026 than in the previous quarter (Q1 2026). In Q2 2026, ‘scope of practice’ remains the most common theme of QP consultations, followed by ‘self-employed practice’ and ‘professional conduct’. ‘Scope of practice’ and ‘self-employed practice’ have consistently been in the top three consult themes since 2024, while ‘professional conduct’ is a new top three theme in this quarter. ‘Professional conduct’ inquiries to the QP department include general, non-report questions regarding suspensions, voluntary surrenders, or conditions.

New complaints/information/reports received by Professional Conduct, broken down by total received and total referred to the Complaints Investigation Committee for investigation



In Q2 2026, the College received 49 new complaints, information, and reports related to the professional conduct of registrants. 43 were forwarded to the PC department and CIC for investigation, while the remaining 6 were managed by other options that the legislation provides for.

While not all new complaints, information, or reports require further investigation and referral to the CIC, all are nonetheless carefully assessed following intake.

The number of complaints, information, and reports received, as well as the percentage referred, can be quite variable from one quarter to the next.

The following statistics are new additions to the College’s quarterly reports. They are intended to provide readers with more information regarding the specific actions taken by some registrants, or the by the Registrar, in response to some of the complaints, information or reports received and investigated.

New non-medical voluntary surrenders accepted

Surrender type	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
Non-medical voluntary surrenders	3	2

A registrant may voluntarily give up their certificate of practice while under investigation for a professional conduct issue. A non-medical voluntary surrender means that it is unrelated to the registrant’s physical or mental health. This statistic is intended to provide readers with more information regarding the specific actions taken by some registrants in response to some of the complaints, information, or reports received and investigated.

New interim suspensions issued

Suspension type	Q1 2026	Q2 2026
Interim suspensions	3	2

Interim suspensions are used prior to a formal disciplinary hearing and only when the College determines it is necessary to protect the public from imminent risk. The complaint will then proceed through the standard discipline process. This statistic is intended to provide readers with more information regarding the specific actions taken by some registrants in response to some of the complaints, information, or reports received and investigated.

Quarterly Update from Deb Elias, CEO/Registrar



The College continues to see steady growth in Manitoba’s nursing workforce. By the end of Q2 2026, the College had 15,707 registrants, a 4.8% increase from Q2 2025. Notably, the total number of registrants at the end of Q2 2026 has already surpassed the total recorded at the end of Q4 2025. This continued growth is encouraging.

While growth in the register is welcomed and exciting, it is equally important that Manitoba’s nurses are prepared and equipped to provide culturally appropriate and safe care to all people accessing health services.

One significant milestone achieved during this quarter, which is not captured in the data, is the College’s delivery of a formal public apology on May 13th to First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples for its role in the systemic discrimination and generational harms that were, and continue to be, experienced by First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples when accessing health care. This apology arose from more than three years of relationship-building, listening, learning, and collaboration. It would not have been possible without the involvement and support of the College’s Indigenous Advisory Group (IAG), a collaborative circle of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis nurses and community members who share their perspectives and insights into what meaningful reconciliation must entail. I wish to sincerely thank all of our Indigenous partners who have participated in this work, both through the IAG and other channels of communication with the College. I also want to express my deep appreciation for the understanding, openness and generosity of time granted to the College by all those who are assisting us in this critical journey.

The College remains committed to advancing reconciliation through meaningful action. This includes embodying and building upon the principles of cultural humility and cultural safety in the work that we do and taking action against anti-Indigenous racism. We are also committed to ensuring that registrants of the College have the education, knowledge, and resources needed to provide culturally safe care and improve the experiences of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples accessing care in our province.

As always, we remain focused on protecting the public through responsible regulation, while also supporting a nursing profession that is competent, accountable, and responsive to the needs of all Manitobans.

Deb Elias RN

Disclaimer on the data in these reports

The following data and information is collected on a quarter-to-quarter basis. As such, it is not validated or verified to the same degree as the full year data provided in the College’s annual report. Therefore, year end data provided in the annual report may vary from the combined data of the quarterly reports issued in the same year. Please note that the data provided in the College’s annual report is authoritative and therefore takes precedence over the data provided in these quarterly reports.

Definitions of key terms

Endorsement applicant: an RN or NP who holds current registration in another Canadian jurisdiction and is eligible for registration in Manitoba through labour mobility legislation.

IEN applicant: an applicant who completed their nursing education outside of Canada and is seeking to establish their initial Canadian RN registration in Manitoba.

Reinstatement applicant: a former Manitoba RN or NP who is seeking to regain the authority to practice in Manitoba.