



## College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia

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### English Language Proficiency Requirements

An applicant for any class of registration, except for emergency registration, must have the ability to speak, read and write English to the satisfaction of the Registration Committee, pursuant to section 2-3(2) of the College Bylaws.

The Registration Committee may determine that an applicant has demonstrated English language proficiency if the following conditions are met:

1. The primary language of medical education was English, **and**
2. The primary language of patient care was English.

The Registration Committee may exempt an applicant from the English language proficiency requirements set out herein in exceptional circumstances.

#### **Applications received by the College on or before June 30, 2018:**

**Candidates who have not met the above requirements will require either a TOEFL iBT (internet-based test) or an IELTS Academic examination.**

**TOEFL iBT (internet-based test)**

- A minimum score of 24 in each of the four sections.
- To send your TOEFL score report:
  - Log into your TOEFL iBT account at [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl)
  - Choose "Register for Test/Order Score Report" > TOEFL Services > Additional Score Report
  - Enter College's recipient code 6533, and search and select College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC
- **Note:** The College can only view this information if you authorize the College to do so using the method described above.
- A TOEFL score is valid for a period of two years from the date taken.

**OR**

**IELTS Academic examination**

- Minimum score of 7 in each component.
- Forward your Test Report Form (TRF) by including the College as one of the five institutions on your application form or order additional copies from the testing centre where the test was taken. Alternatively, you may forward your TRF number to the College, and the College can view your score through the IELTS Academic verification service.
- A TRF is valid for a period of two years from the date taken.

**Applications received by the College on July 1, 2018 onward:**

**Candidates who have not met the above requirements will require an IELTS Academic examination.**

**IELTS Academic examination**

- Minimum score of 7 in each component.
- Forward your Test Report Form (TRF) by including the College as one of the five institutions on your application form or order additional copies from the testing centre where the test was taken. Alternatively, you may forward your TRF number to the College, and the College can view your score through the IELTS Academic verification service.
- A TRF is valid for a period of two years from the date taken.

**Results/score of the examination must be sent directly to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC.**