



College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia

# Registration Policy

## Eligibility for an Assessment of Competency for Registrants in the Family Class

### PURPOSE

This policy sets out the criteria under which a registrant may apply to the College to undergo an assessment of competency as an alternative to completing the certification examination of the College of Family Physicians (CCFP).

### BACKGROUND

Section 2-10(1)(d) of the College Bylaws under the *Health Professions Act* states:

#### Full – family

- 2-10 (1) For the purposes of section 20(2) of the Act, to be granted full – family registration, an applicant must
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- (d) meet at least one of the following requirements:
- (i) have obtained certification with the CFPC;
  - (ii) be a graduate of a Canadian medical school in 1992 or earlier, who has provided evidence of satisfactory completion of one year of internship recognized by the Registration Committee;
  - (iii) if postgraduate training was completed between 1993 and July 1, 2010, have successfully completed a minimum of two years of accredited postgraduate training, recognized by the Registration Committee,
    - (A) that was comprised of a basic core of 44 weeks, consisting of eight weeks in each of medicine, surgery, obstetrics/gynecology and pediatrics, and four weeks in each of psychiatry, emergency medicine and family practice, and
    - (B) at least one year of which must have been completed in Canada if the applicant is not a graduate of a Canadian medical school;

- (iv) if registered on the temporary register under the former enactment on May 31, 2009 and registered in the provisional class effective June 1, 2009, or approved for such registration before June 1, 2009, have completed five years of family practice in British Columbia, and successfully completed an assessment of competency satisfactory to the Registration Committee.

## POLICY

A physician may apply to the College for a competency assessment if they

1. were initially registered on the temporary register under the *Medical Practitioners Act* and were subsequently transferred to the provisional – family class of registration effective June 1, 2009,
2. have completed five years of practice, and
3. have fulfilled all other conditions outlined in their resolution granted by the Registration Committee.

Candidates who fulfill these criteria may be permitted to undergo an assessment of competency conducted by an assessor appointed by the College. The physician must pay all costs associated with the assessment.

The Registration Committee will consider the assessment report and if it finds the report to be satisfactory, it will grant registration in the full – family class of registration.

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