

## **FAQs for Canadian Entry to Practice (CETP) Examination**

### **Why is an examination required for professional licensure/registration?**

Provincial regulatory organizations have a duty to the public to assess and ensure the competence of practising Canadian audiologists and speech-language pathologists.

In 2018, the Canadian Alliance of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Regulators and its regulatory member organizations (the 8 provincial regulatory authorities) announced that they would require the 2020 graduating cohort to pass the Canadian Entry to Practice (CETP) Exam to be eligible for full, unrestricted practice licensure in Canada.

In collaboration with SAC, CAASPR remains committed to ensuring that any such required examination be delivered consistently, fairly and safely. While the pandemic has caused implementation delays and has required development of safe examination procedures, CAASPR and SAC are now confident that they can balance these needs and can deliver a successful CETP Exam on November 21st, 2020.

### **Which provinces currently require registration for and successful completion of the CETP Exam for the purposes of professional registration/licensure?**

The CETP Exam is a requirement for registration/licensure in the provinces of Newfoundland and Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

### **What is the rescheduled date of the CETP Exam?**

The examination is scheduled for November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020

### **What is the CETP Exam enrollment deadline?**

The Exam enrollment deadline has been set as September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### **Where will examination sites be located?**

CAASPR and SAC are currently collaborating to establish provincial examination sites in Newfoundland and Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan. More site information will be provided once sites have been confirmed.

### **How do I enroll for the CETP Exam?**

Examination candidates must register on the CAASPR portal (<https://www.caaspr.ca/>), must provide required academic and other information, must pay the required fees (<https://www.caaspr.ca/licensure-canada/application-guide>), and must be deemed eligible by CAASPR prior to registering for the CETP Exam.

### **What if I have not yet completed my practicum?**

CAASPR and SAC have ensured that students who have had their practicum delayed can gain 'Conditional' eligibility approval until November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For more information regarding conditional eligibility approval, please contact CAASPR.

### **I have already applied to CAASPR and have been 'Approved' for the examination, what is next for me?**

Those who have already applied through the CAASPR portal and have received an Exam eligibility confirmation will be electronically notified when examination scheduling and enrollment processes are active. Enrollment instructions will also be provided at that time.

### **I previously attempted the SAC examination without success and have questions regarding my application. What should I do?**

In all such cases, you should contact your provincial regulator with your specific questions. As the CETP Exam remains a requirement for registration in the provinces of Newfoundland and Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, these provincial regulators recommend that

applicants create a portal account at <https://www.caaspr.ca/> and submit questions and request for information through the portal 'CONTACT' form.

### **How can I best prepare for the CETP examination?**

When preparing for the examination, it is important that you recognize that the CETP Exam is a competency-based evaluation. This means that the questions will be framed such that the expected performances are identified and linked to the professional competency profiles and the examination blueprints. It is, therefore, important that you read and review these important documents (<https://www.caaspr.ca/documents-and-links>). Here are additional strategies which may assist you prepare for the CETP:

- Set a realistic study schedule and begin studying early.
- Spread out your study sessions.
- Do not simply memorize facts, always attempt to understand how the knowledge would apply within a clinical practice setting.

### **What else should I know about the CETP examination?**

- The examination will have 170 question items that you will be provided 3.5 hours to complete.
- Efforts are made to ensure that the examinations are written in plain language.
- Questions will all be multiple choice and there will be only one correct answer for each question.
- One point is awarded for each question, so do not leave any questions unanswered. If you are not certain, select your best choice.
- Given that the CETP Exam is a paper-based, in-person examination, we must inform you that infection prevention and control procedures will be in place for the examination. Examination candidates should plan to bring a mask for the examination day and should anticipate that hand hygiene and social distancing will apply.