

To: CASLPM Council

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Decision/Action Required

None

Regulatory Matters

1. National Exam Requirement for Applicants

Work is ongoing regarding changes to the General Regulation to allow for the requirement of successful completion of a National Exam.

2. Complaints Investigation

There is one ongoing complaint:

2022-001: Under review by Complaints Investigation Committee Panel.

3. Policies related to application and registration of applicants

The office has undertaken an initial review of processes relating to applicants under provisional and labour mobility status due to the urgency expressed by all governments to hasten the process for health professionals. We have discovered some processes that can be modified to make the application process quicker without compromising review of applicants.

There is a need to review some of the policies and processes regarding educational requirements for international applicants, the provisional application required of international applicants, labour mobility, and the cross-provincial practice application requirements should be reviewed in an upcoming meeting of Council.



Items of Interest

1. CASLPM Website

The CASLPM website has undergone significant modification since the December Registrar's Report. The sections that have been added/clarified are as follows:

- Applicant section including Canadian Accredited Graduates, International Graduates, and Labour Mobility
- Regulating the Professions with Advertising Practice Direction added (all practice directions will be moved to the Registrants section for ease of access)
- A fillable Advanced Competency Notice/Application has been added to the Registrants section, along with information for all Advanced Competencies
- PDFs are fillable or will be made fillable going forward so there is no need to print documents to scan and send to the office

Modifications to the website will continue throughout 2023 with a goal to simplify the site and provide information that is most useful for the public, applicants, and registrants.

2. CASLPM Office Move

The CASLPM office moved to a new space at 112B Scurfield Blvd. at the beginning of March. We will ask registrants to continue to make appointments to visit the office to ensure the appropriate person is available to greet them.

3. Manitoba Speech Hearing Association ("MSHA") Archives

As a result of the CASLPM office move, the MSHA Archive Committee contacted Manitoba Archives to gauge their interest on any of the historical items relating to MSHA and they agreed to house the archival items.

"The early (MSHA) members had a sense of history. Minutes in 1959 mentioned the importance of recording the history of the association. From its beginning MSHA had an archives and publicity committee and along with minutes, photos, annual reports and press releases were kept in scrapbooks. In the 1983 survey of provincial associations, MSHA was the only one with an archives committee. The archives committee has collected memorabilia for 50 years." Gini Martin "The History of MSHA", published in the Winter 50th Anniversary 2008 edition of Hearsay.

In 2013, the last year that MSHA operated, the Archives Committee consisted of the following members: Philip Dunn, Susan Gibb, Elaine Litvak, Debra MacGill, Gini Martin, Janet Simpson (Chair), and Anne Thorkelsson. In 2022-23, Janet, Susan, Debra, and Elaine worked many hours to document, file, and prepare the Archives to be moved to the Manitoba Provincial Archives. Now, 65 years after the beginning of the association, we are thrilled to preserve the legacy of the MSHA that we inherited from our early mentors.

The MSHA Archive Committee wishes to acknowledge and thank CASLPM staff who supported and encouraged us as we completed this final Archives task.



4. Manitoba Government News Release

On March 6, 2023, the Manitoba Government introduced a Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act to bring all colleges under the Regulated Health Professions Act.

The Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act

March 6, 2023

MANITOBA GOVERNMENT INTRODUCES REGULATED HEALTH PROFESSIONS AMENDMENT ACT

The Manitoba government is introducing the Regulated Health Professions Amendment Act, which would amend the Regulated Health Professions Act to extend to colleges that are not yet under the act, Health Minister Audrey Gordon announced today.

"Manitobans would benefit by having an additional outlet to solve administrative issues that may be preventing professionals from getting licensed in a health profession," said Gordon. "Our government looks forward to working with all health profession regulatory colleges to ensure the health system has the professionals it needs to provide care for Manitobans."

The amendment would reduce limits on the actions the minister of health can take to address concerns regarding the administration or operation of a health profession regulatory body with colleges that are under and not yet under the act.

Currently, five colleges have transitioned to the Regulated Health Professions Act, and an additional three are expected to formally transition in the coming weeks.

The Regulated Health Professions Act, which came into force in 2014, is umbrella legislation that replaces existing profession-specific statutes that govern regulated health professions and brings all regulated health professions under one act. The transition is being completed in stages and each profession-specific statute will be repealed when individual professions transition to the Regulated Health Professions Act.