



Provisional Licensure

INTERNATIONAL POSTGRADUATE TRAINING IN A SPECIALTY RECOGNIZED BY THE RCPSC

2.8 PHYSICIANS ELIGIBLE TO CHALLENGE CERTIFYING EXAMINATIONS OF THE RCPSC

To qualify for a provisional licence, a physician who has International postgraduate training (other than the United States or Canada) in a Specialty recognized by the RCPSC and who is eligible to challenge the certifying examinations of the RCSCP must:

1. Demonstrate that the physician meets the requirements that apply to all applicants for licensure:
 - English Language Proficiency*, and
 - Credential Verification*, and
 - Examinations, and
 - Currency of Practice, and
 - Good Character, and
 - Good Standing.

(Please see the [requirements page](#) for details regarding the above points); **and,**
2. Have received a ruling from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada that they are eligible to challenge the Royal College examination in their specialty.

NOTE: If a physician has applied and received a ruling through the Practice Eligibility Route (PER), they must have passed the Royal College examinations to qualify for a provisional licence.
3. Have passed the MCCQE1 or successfully completed medical licensing examinations in the United States of America acceptable to the Council.
4. Choose from one of 2 pathways to Regular licensure. The choice between the assessment or examination route is final and cannot be changed.

* Required if you are a physician with a foreign medical degree.

PATHWAYS TO REGULAR LICENCE:

1. Examination Route to Regular Licensure:

- a. Successfully practise with a supervisor until meeting the requirements for a regular licence; **and,**
- b. Attain certification with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada within the period of eligibility with the Royal College; **and,**
- c. Successfully engage in supervised practice in Canada for five years; **or,**
- d. Attain the LMCC or successfully complete medical licensing examinations in the United States of America acceptable to the Council.

IMPORTANT: *The licence of a physician who has elected to seek regular licensure by the examination route will automatically be revoked and cease to be valid if the conditions above are not met.*

If a physician has attained Certification with the Royal College, they will not be required to practise under supervision. They will remain on a provisional licence until the LMCC is attained.

2. Practice Assessment Route to Regular Licensure:

- a. Successfully practice with a supervisor for a period of at least one year in Saskatchewan; and,
- b. Successfully complete an assessment which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Council that the applicant has appropriate skill, knowledge or suitability to practise independently.

IMPORTANT: *If a physician has not met the requirements for a regular licence and is not practising under supervision, or the supervision does not comply with the requirements for supervision established by the Council, the Registrar will notify the physician of the intention to suspend the physician's licence within 15 days after notice is given.*

The licence of a physician who has chosen to seek regular licensure by meeting the condition of supervised practice and assessment will automatically be revoked and cease to be valid if the physician fails to successfully complete the supervised practice or the assessment.