



## English Language Proficiency

It is a non-exemptible standard and qualification for registration and a licence to practise medicine that an applicant has:

- i. taken IELTS academic version within the previous 24 months and achieved a minimum of 7.0 in each of the components (**NOTE: IELTS does not offer sub-tests on their examinations**); or,
- ii. taken OET-medicine version within the previous 24 months and achieved a minimum grade of B (**NOTE: OET does offer sub-tests. CPSS may accept a sub-test if the score of the sub-test has a minimum grade of B and is still valid within the same 24 months as the original OET-medicine exam was taken. For example: Exam taken May 18, 2022. It is valid until May 18, 2024. Any sub-tests taken between those dates, with a minimum grade of B, may be considered**); or
- iii. taken CELPIP – General within the previous 24 months and achieved a minimum grade of 9 in all sections (**NOTE: CELPIP does not offer sub-tests on their examinations**); or
- iv. the applicant’s undergraduate medical education was taken in English in Canada, the United States or one of the other countries that is identified by the Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada as having English as a first or native language; or
- v. the applicant is currently in a postgraduate medical education program in the United States or Canada or one of the other countries that is identified by the Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada as having English as a first and native language and the applicant previously met one of the requirements of (i) or (ii) above in order to enter into that postgraduate training program; or
- vi. The applicant is currently in practice in Canada or the United States or one of the other countries that is identified by the Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada as having English as a first or native language and the applicant met one of the requirements of (i) or (ii) above in order to be admitted to postgraduate training or practice in that country.

### Countries that have English as a first or native language:

Countries	Caribbean Islands
Australia	Anguilla
Bahamas	
Bermuda	Antigua and Barbuda
British Virgin Islands	Barbados
Canada ** see note below	Dominica
Ireland	Grenada
New Zealand	Grenadines
Singapore	Jamaica
South Africa	St. Kitts and Nevis
United Kingdom	St. Lucia
United States of America	St. Vincent
US Virgin Islands	Trinidad and Tobago

**\*\* Note:** Canadian applicants with medical education from the University of Quebec, Montreal, Sherbrooke, Laval, and the University of Ottawa (French stream) will be required to meet English language proficiency requirements.