

#### **PHYSIOTHERAPISTS**

Physiotherapists plan, administer and evaluate treatment programs and provide maintenance and preventive health care programs. They may also consult, educate, advise and participate in research. They are employed in hospitals, clinics, schools, rehabilitation centres and extended care facilities. Many work in private practice.

#### **EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

A minimum of a bachelor degree in physiotherapy or the equivalent is required.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

To apply for registration, an applicant must have completed a minimum of 1200 hours of work experience as a Physiotherapist in the last five years.

## ASSESSMENT PROCESS

# Step One

To become a registered Physiotherapist in Manitoba an individual must first apply to the **Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators** (The Alliance). The applicant must submit:

- a completed application form (available from The Alliance);
- all original or notarised certificate(s), degree(s) and transcripts;
- course syllabi (i.e. detailed description of courses studied);
- a current resume;
- information about her or his thesis;
- proof of registration or eligibility to work as a physiotherapist in the country where he
  or she was educated;
- two copies of a recent passport photograph;
- a notarized birth certificate;
- a notarized marriage certificate (if applicable);
- a copy of her/his passport information sheet;
- a copy of her/his Permanent Resident Card of Record of Landing Certificate;
- evidence of language proficiency; and
- a credentials assessment fee of \$725.00.

\*If documents are not in English, notarised translations are required.

\* Applicants must ensure that a *Document Request Form* is completed by their educational institution (form available from The Alliance). This form must be mailed directly to The Alliance from the educational institution.

Applicants who have not been educated in English must complete an English language proficiency test. For detailed information, contact The Alliance directly.

The Alliance assesses foreign credentials. If the applicant's program of study is assessed as <u>not equivalent</u>, recognition for work experience or prior learning may be considered through a prior learning assessment process (PLA). He or she may be asked to complete additional requirements.

When the applicant's program of study is assessed as <u>equivalent</u>, he or she must successfully complete the *Qualifying Examination (QE)*. The QE is offered in January, March, May, July, September and November (in Winnipeg **if** there is enough demand) Registration fee is \$200.00; examination fee is \$475.00

## **Step Two**

After the applicant has successfully completed the *Qualifying Examination* he or she can apply to the **College of Physiotherapists of Manitoba** for registration. (Contact the College directly for details on what must be submitted.) When all requirements are met and fees are paid the candidate will be licensed to work *under the direct supervision of a Registered Physiotherapist* until the next examination sitting of the *Physiotherapy National Examination (Part 2)*. Please note, annual registration fees are \$300.00.

# Step Three

Physiotherapy National Examination (PNE)

- Offered in June and November (in Winnipeg if there is enough demand)
- Registration fee is \$200.00; examination fee is \$900.00.

Once the applicant has successfully completed the *PNE*, he or she will be eligible for full licensure without supervision.

The fees, documentation requirements, and assessment process detailed above are subject to change without notice. For more detailed information contact:

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