

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING DIRECTION

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3.7 Request for Licensure from International Student

Purpose:

The College of Physiotherapists of Manitoba (CPM) requires all international physiotherapy students to be registered with CPM on the student register prior to commencing a clinical placement in Manitoba.

Application to CPM for student licensure

The international student will contact CPM (<http://www.manitobaphysio.com>) at least 6 months before commencing clinical placement to apply for student registration.

The international student will be required to provide CPM with the following:

- Evidence of English proficiency if their physiotherapy academic program is not in English.
- A letter from the student's university verifying that the applicant is a student of that university and that the applicant has successfully completed all coursework to date and is ready to undertake the clinical placement being requested.
- A current Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search. The application date must be within the preceding six (6) months prior to the date of applying to CPM.
- An address, telephone and fax number, and e-mail address at which the applicant can be contacted throughout the processing period.
- A completed registration form.
- The registration fee.

Possible outcomes:

Once all the documentation is received and reviewed, the **Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education (ACCE)** at the University of Manitoba and the international student will be notified by the CPM Registrar that:

- A. The applicant's program of studies is deemed to be not substantially different from a Canadian university entry level physiotherapy program and communication between the ACCE and the prospective clinical placement site may begin. In making this decision, CPM will refer to information from the Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulator's (CAPR) website about the applicant's physiotherapy education program.
- B. The applicant's program of studies is deemed to be substantially different from a Canadian university entry level physiotherapy program. The applicant (and the ACCE) is notified, and the file is closed.

Policy:

Special Points:

- The registration process can take a minimum of 1 year to complete.
- International students must coordinate the clinical placement with CPM and the University of Manitoba **Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education (ACCE)**. Please see Appendix 1 for further details
- The process to contact potential clinical placement sites may be initiated at any time, but confirmation of the placement cannot occur until all other requirements of this policy have been met.
- Undertaking a clinical placement in Canada does not guarantee licensure in Canada once the international student graduates.

