

Registration requirements for Canadian educated recent graduates (not currently registered in Canada)

Send all questions to info@cptnb.ca.

STEP 1- Writing the Physiotherapy Competency Examination (PCE) through CAPR

Register for and successfully complete the CAPR Physiotherapy Competency Examination (PCE)-Written Component: <https://www.alliancept.org/taking-the-exam/>.

For Québec physiotherapy program graduates only, if you are registered in Québec, you don't have to complete the PCE-Written Component and you must apply as a transfer from another province.

STEP 2- Registering as a Provisional Physiotherapist in New Brunswick through CPTNB

You may apply for registration as a Provisional Physiotherapist with CPTNB if you have 1) evidence of Canadian citizenship, proof of permanent resident status or a valid work permit and 2) a potential employer in New Brunswick. You may only practise physiotherapy under a formalized agreement between yourself, CPTNB and a fully registered Physiotherapist chosen by you and approved by the CPTNB.

To apply for registration with CPTNB, complete the [Online Registration Application](#).

Please ensure your application includes the following documents:

1. Evidence of Canadian citizenship via valid Canadian passport, birth certificate or citizenship card. Non-Canadian applicants must submit proof of permanent resident status or a valid work permit.
2. Proof of successful completion of the CAPR PCE-Written Component.
3. Proof of successful completion of the CAPR PCE-Clinical Component or alternate exam(s), if applicable.
4. Notarized copy of the physiotherapy degree. It must be notarized by a registered, practising lawyer. If the diploma/graduation is pending, we must receive proof of completion of all graduation requirements from the University. This notice must be sent by the institution directly to info@cptnb.ca and must verify the date of the pending convocation.
5. Proof of individual Professional Liability Insurance (PLI).
6. Two signed letters of reference attesting to the applicant's good character. The letters must be dated, signed and of a professional nature, that is, not written by family members or friends.
7. Up-to-date résumé.

You will be notified by e-mail if we require additional documents to complete your application. It may take up to 5 business days to review your submission.

STEP 3- Applying for the CPTNB Sub-Registers Acupuncture/Dry Needling and Specialized Practice

CPTNB registrants seeking to practise acupuncture or dry needling must apply to CPTNB for entry to the sub-register. Following successful completion of the acupuncture or dry needling training, the completed application must be submitted to CPTNB and registrants must receive confirmation of entry to the sub-register before starting to practice these modalities.

Download the application on our website here: [CPTNB Applications](#)

STEP 4- Applying for full licensure

Once you have successfully completed 12 months of clinical practice on the CPTNB Provisional Registry you may apply for full licensure via the CPTNB Practice-Based Assessment. This assessment was created to replace the PCE-Clinical Component, which was discontinued by CAPR in early 2022.

NOTE: You have up to 3 attempts to pass the CPTNB Practice-Based Assessment. However, if you have previously failed the PCE-Clinical Component on one occasion, you have only two attempts to pass the CPTNB Practice-Based Assessment. If you have previously failed the CAPR PCE-Clinical Component on two occasions, you have only one attempt to pass the CPTNB Practice-Based Assessment. If you are unsuccessful, you will not receive full licensure with CPTNB and you will no longer be eligible to work as a Physiotherapist in New Brunswick.

Download the [CPTNB Practice-Based Assessment Details](#) for the eligibility criteria related to this process.