

Supervisor Eligibility Requirements

Purpose

This policy outlines the eligibility requirements for supervisors to the provisional, clinical observership, or the visitor classes of registration and licensure.

Background

Section 2-17 of the College Bylaws under the *Health Professions Act* states:

Provisional - preregistration requirements

- 2-17 (1) To be granted provisional registration, an applicant must
- (a) have successfully obtained a preliminary assessment of his or her eligibility for registration from the College,
 - (b) have obtained an eligibility ruling for registration and licensure from the Registration Committee,
 - (c) have fulfilled the subjects listed in the eligibility ruling of the Registration Committee,
 - (d) be a licentiate of the MCC or have successfully completed medical licensing examinations in the United States of America, acceptable to the registration committee, and
 - (e) have the health authority or faculty of medicine, UBC provide to the College a sponsorship letter satisfactory to the Registration Committee that
 - (i) identifies the applicant's sponsor,
 - (ii) describes how the applicant will engage in the practice of medicine, and
 - (iii) identifies a supervisor satisfactory to the registration committee.
 - (f) if successfully completed a family medicine program in Canada or a RCPSC specialty program in Canada, the requirements of section 2-17(1)(e) may be waived by the Registrar until the results are available from the next available sitting of the certification examinations of the CFPC or RCPSC.

Section 2-33 of the College Bylaws states:

Clinical observership

- 2-33 (1) Clinical observership registration may be granted to afford an educational experience, for a limited duration not exceeding three years, in an appropriate setting approved by the Registration Committee and for the purpose of becoming familiar with the clinical and ethical requirements of the Canadian medical system.
- (2) For the purposes of section 20(2) of the Act, to be granted clinical observership registration, an applicant must
- (a) have a medical degree,
 - (b) have successfully completed the Part 1 of the MCC Qualifying Examination, or have completed medical licensing examinations in the United States of America which are acceptable to the Registration Committee,
 - (c) have a written request sent directly from a registrant in one of the full

- have been registered with the College in the full class of registration and licensure for independent practice for a minimum of three years
 - In exceptional circumstances, a registrant in the conditional – practice setting class of registration may be approved to supervise.
- be supervising no more than one other clinical observer and two provisional registrants at the time of the request, unless otherwise permitted by the College
- not have a relationship with the supervisee that constitutes a conflict of interest
- if the proposed supervisor has open complaints pending with the College, the circumstances will be reviewed by the College on a case-by-case basis to determine the proposed supervisor's suitability
- confirm in writing that they will be responsible for the supervision of any clinical contact with patients by the supervisee
- provide direct supervision of all interactions between the supervisee and the patient
- be responsible for ensuring that the supervisee complies with their ethical responsibilities as set out in the Canadian Medical Association's *Code of Ethics and Professionalism*
- have training in cultural sensitivity and diversity awareness
- where the clinical observer will be present during the clinical encounter with the patient, inform the patient that the clinical observer is an international medical graduate (IMG), Canadian medical graduate (CMG) or a visiting independent medical student participating in an educational experience under their supervision
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