



TERMS OF REFERENCE Practice Committee

Purpose

Under the direction of the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador (CLPNNL), the Practice Committee will provide advice, guidance, clarification and support to the CLPNNL, LPNs and key stakeholders in planning, developing, implementing and evaluating the Continuing Competency Program, Standards of Practice, Code of Ethics, Scope of Practice, and Position Statements.

Functions

1. Generate ideas, develop concepts and provide input for the development of documents to provide direction on the scope of practice and competencies which define the role and responsibilities of Licensed Practical Nurses.
2. Plan, develop, implement and evaluate the Continuing Competency Program.
3. Explore and identify the range of competencies required for Licensed Practical Nurses.
4. Review and update the standards of practice and code of ethics for Licensed Practical Nurses in accordance with national trends, current legislation, the scope of practice and competencies for LPNs.
5. Develop and update position statements and practice guidelines to support LPN practice.
6. Identify strategies and develop methods to educate Licensed Practical Nurses and all key stakeholders on the scope of practice, standards of practice, code of ethics, competencies, and position statements.
7. Monitor scope of practice/competencies both provincially and nationally and provide direction for future improvements and innovations.
8. Review and provide input on any CLPNNL documents/forms related to the licensed practical nursing profession.
9. Provide advice, guidance and recommendations to the CLPNNL Board on matters and/or documents impacting LPN practice.

Membership

- Educator from the Practical Nursing Program, CNS
- Representative from CLPNNL Board
- Employer Representative from a Regional Health Authority
- Eight (8) Licensed Practical Nurse Representatives
- Practice Consultant, CLPNNL
- Director Professional Practice and Policy, CLPNNL
- Executive Director, CLPNNL

All committee appointments are subject to the approval of the Board.

Term

The Board will appoint members of the Practice Committee for a three (3) year term to a maximum of three (3) terms for a total of nine (9) consecutive years.

Meetings

The Practice Committee will hold at least (2) meetings per year, or at the call of the chair. Meetings may be held face to face, conference call, video conferencing or other electronic means as approved by the Licensed Practical Nurses' Act, Regulations, By-laws and Policies of the Board.

Quorum

A quorum will consist of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1).

Approved by the Board: April 15th, 2016