



Newfoundland and Labrador Pharmacy Board

Interpretation Guide

Practical Training Requirements for Registration as a Pharmacist (Graduates of Canadian Baccalaureate Pharmacy Programs)

The *Pharmacy Regulations, 2014* state that applicants for registration as a pharmacist must provide “*proof satisfactory to the board that he or she completed the required period of practical training approved by the board.*” For the purposes of this section, applicants for registration as a pharmacist who have graduated from a Canadian baccalaureate pharmacy program must meet the requirements defined below.

- 1) Applicants must complete a minimum of 700 hours of practical training with an approved preceptor, in addition to any experiential education completed as part of the baccalaureate program.
 - a) The first 420 hours may be completed in blocks of no less than 140 hours, with an approved preceptor.
 - b) A minimum of 280 hours must be completed after completion of the program with a single approved preceptor.
 - c) Hours should generally be completed in a normal work week pattern of not less than 20 hours and not more than 40 hours per week.
 - d) No portion of this time may be completed during the student’s academic year.
 - e) Practical training is normally served in a pharmacy with the opportunity for direct patient care and may only be served in a non-patient care setting with the prior approval of NLPB.
 - f) Applicants are responsible for finding their own sites and preceptors.
- 2) Before applying to complete practical training, applicants must first apply to NLPB be registered as a Pharmacy Intern by submitting an Application for Registration as an Intern.
- 3) Once registered, applicants may then apply to complete practical training by submitting an Application to Register for the NLPB Pharmacist Internship.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants are encouraged to allow adequate time for processing and approval (5-7 business days is generally recommended) prior to the anticipated commencement of the practical training period.
The applicant may not begin the practical training period until they receive notification from the NLPB that the application has been approved.

- 4) A manual consisting of an evaluation form and a set of activities to be completed and documented by the applicant and preceptor will be provided prior to the start of the post-graduate training period.
- 5) At the completion of each practical training period, it is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that all required documentation is returned to the NLPB Office in order to receive credit for completing the practical training period.