



Newfoundland and Labrador Pharmacy Board

Interpretation Guide

Practical Training Requirements for Registration as a Pharmacy Technician (Graduates of Canadian CCAPP-accredited Pharmacy Technician Education Programs)

The *Pharmacy Regulations, 2014* state that applicants for registration as a pharmacy technician 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 pharmacy technician who have graduated from a Canadian pharmacy technician education program accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (CCAPP) must meet the requirements defined below.

- 1) Applicants must complete a minimum of 280 hours of practical training with an approved preceptor, in addition to any experiential training completed as part of an accredited pharmacy technician education program.
 - a) All 280 hours must be completed after graduation with a single approved preceptor.
 - b) 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.
 - c) 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 the Board.
 - d) Candidates are responsible for finding their own sites and preceptors.
- 2) Before applying to complete the Pharmacy Technician Practical Training Program, applicants must first pre-register with NLPB by submitting an Application for Pre-Registration as a Pharmacy Technician.
- 3) Once pre-registered, applicants may then apply to complete the practical training program by submitting an Application to Complete the Pharmacy Technician Practical Training Program.

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 candidate and preceptor will be provided prior to the start of the training period.
- 5) At the completion of the training period, it is the candidate’s responsibility to ensure that all required documentation is returned to the NLPB Office in order to receive credit for completing the program.