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Definitions

1 In this Regulation,

- (a) “Act” means the *Health Professions Act*;
- (b) “active practice” means the provision of the services of the practice of a chiropractor, within the meaning of section 3 of Schedule 2 to the Act, to non-family members on an ongoing and regular basis;

- (c) “College” means the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors;
- (d), (e) repealed AR 52/2023 s2;
- (f) “Council” means the council of the College;
- (g) “courtesy register” means the courtesy register category of the regulated members register;
- (h) “general member” means a regulated member registered on the general register;
- (i) “general register” means the general register category of the regulated members register;
- (j) “Registrar” means the registrar of the College;
- (k) “Registration Committee” means the registration committee of the College;
- (l) repealed AR 52/2023 s2.

AR 277/2006 s1;52/2023

Registers

Register categories

2 The regulated members register established by the Council under section 33(1)(a) of the Act has the following categories:

- (a) general register;
- (b) courtesy register.

Registration

General register

3(1) An applicant for registration as a general member may be registered on the general register if the applicant

- (a) has obtained a degree of Doctor of Chiropractic from a chiropractic program approved by the Council, and
- (b) has successfully passed
 - (i) a written cognitive skills examination approved by the Council,
 - (ii) a clinical competency examination approved by the Council, and

- (iii) the examination in jurisprudence and ethics approved by the Council.

(2) The applicant must have passed the examination referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) within one year immediately preceding the date the Registrar receives the complete application.

(3) If the applicant is unable to meet the requirement in subsection (2), the applicant must

- (a) within one year immediately preceding the date the Registrar receives the complete application, have been registered in good standing and carried on active practice in a jurisdiction recognized by the Council as a jurisdiction that regulates the practice of chiropractic, or
- (b) demonstrate to the Registrar or Registration Committee that the applicant is currently competent to practise chiropractic.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (3)(b), the Registrar or Registration Committee may require an applicant to undergo any examinations, testing, assessment, training or education the Registrar or Registration Committee considers to be advisable, including a requirement that the applicant successfully pass a clinical competency examination under subsection (1)(b)(ii).

Equivalent jurisdiction

4 An applicant for registration as a general member who is registered in good standing in another jurisdiction recognized by the Council under section 28(2)(b) of the Act as having substantially equivalent registration requirements as those set out in section 3 may be registered on the general register.

Substantial equivalence

5(1) An applicant for registration as a general member who does not meet the registration requirements under section 3 may be registered on the general register if the applicant's qualifications have been determined by the Registrar or Registration Committee under section 28(2)(c) of the Act to be substantially equivalent to the registration requirements set out in section 3(1) and (2).

(2) In determining whether or not an applicant's qualifications are substantially equivalent to the registration requirements set out in section 3(1)(a), the Registrar or Registration Committee may require an applicant under subsection (1) to undergo examinations, testing or assessment activities to assist with the determination.

(3) The Registrar or Registration Committee may direct the applicant to undergo any education or training activities the Registrar or Registration Committee considers necessary in order for the applicant to be registered, including a requirement that the applicant successfully pass a clinical competency examination approved by the Council.

Courtesy register

6(1) A person who requires registration in Alberta as a registered member on a temporary basis for a purpose and term approved by the Registrar is eligible to be registered on the courtesy register if the person

- (a) is registered as a chiropractor in good standing in another jurisdiction, or
- (b) satisfies the Registrar of having the necessary competencies to carry out the purpose for which registration is requested.

(2) A person who is registered on the courtesy register pursuant to subsection (1)(a) must maintain registration in the other jurisdiction while registered on the courtesy register.

(3) A registration under this section may not exceed one year.

7 to 9 Repealed AR 52/2023 s3.

Titles

Titles

10 A regulated member registered on the general register or courtesy register may use the following titles, abbreviations and initials:

- (a) Doctor of Chiropractic;
- (b) Chiropractor;
- (c) Registered Chiropractor;
- (d) D.C.;
- (e) Doctor or Dr., in connection with providing a health service within the practice of chiropractic.

Practice Permit Renewal Requirements

Renewal requirements

11 In addition to meeting the requirements established under section 40 of the Act, a regulated member applying for renewal of the member's practice permit must provide evidence satisfactory to the Registrar or Registration Committee that the regulated member is carrying on an active practice.

AR 277/2006 s11;52/2023

12 Repealed AR 52/2023 s6.

13 to 17 Repealed AR 52/2023 s7.

18 to 22 Repealed AR 52/2023 s8.

23 to 26 Repealed AR 52/2023 s9.

27 to 31 Repealed AR 52/2023 s10.

32 and 33 Repealed AR 52/2023 s11.

Transitional Provisions, Repeals and Coming into Force

Transitional

34 On the coming into force of this Regulation, a registered member described in section 6 of Schedule 2 to the Act is deemed to be entered on the general register.

Repeal

35 The *Chiropractic Profession Regulation* (AR 356/86) is repealed.

Coming into force

36 This Regulation comes into force on the coming into force of Schedule 2 to the *Health Professions Act*.



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