

Glossary of Terms

Acceptable Qualifying Examination

See CPSO policy on Acceptable Qualifying Examinations

Acceptable Pre-1993 Training

Graduates of medical schools in Canada or the United States (US):

One-year internship that was completed before December 31, 1993, and taken in Canada and accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Pre-registration Physicians Training Programs, or taken in the US and accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

International Medical Graduates:

Two years of postgraduate medical education, completed before December 31, 1993, of which both years were taken in Canada or one year in Canada and one year in the US.

Year One: an internship that was accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Pre-registration Physicians Training Programs or the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

Year Two: a year of a residency program that was accredited by the College of Family Physicians of Canada, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education in the US.

Approved Jurisdiction

A jurisdiction which has a postgraduate medical education system for non-family medicine specialists, that has been approved by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.¹

Assessment

A CPSO approved assessment of a physician's practice.

Canadian Residency Program

Full residency program completed in Canada accredited by and sufficient for entry to the certification examinations of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the College of Family Physicians of Canada.

International Medical Graduate (IMG)

A graduate of a medical school outside of Canada or the US that is,

- (a) not accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools (CACMS) or by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME);
- (b) listed in the Directory of Medical Schools published by the World Health Organization or in the International Medical Education Directory published by FAIMER (Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research); and
- (c) has a curriculum that is substantially similar in content and duration to the curriculum of a CACMS or LCME-accredited medical school in Canada or the US.

Mentor

See definition in the CPSO's Guidelines for College-Directed Supervision.²

Successful Completion

The candidate was deemed by the relevant authority to have satisfied all the requirements of the program or examination in accordance with the requirements that were in place at the time the applicant completed the program or examination.

¹ Currently these jurisdictions are: Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, United Kingdom, Singapore, Republic of Ireland, Hong Kong and Switzerland. For more information, see Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada: http://rcpsc.medical.org/residency/certification/img_page2_e.php.

² The key difference between supervision and mentorship is the reporting obligation to the CPSO does not exist for mentors.