



Policy Title: Temporary (Visitor) Registration	Replaces former policy: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title: CPBC Temporary (Visitor) Registration Policy <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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Policy Statement:

An individual who holds current registration or licensure in another Canadian or U.S. jurisdiction that is equivalent to registration in the class of Registered Psychologist in the Designated Health Profession of Psychology in B.C. — and whose registration in that jurisdiction is not subject to any practice limitations, restrictions or conditions — is eligible to apply for registration in the class of Temporary (visitor).

The eligible individual may hold Temporary (visitor) registration for a period of up to 15 consecutive days in a registration year, renewable for one additional 15-consecutive day period in the same registration year. Under special circumstances, registration in this class may be granted for another length of time, as specified in Appendix A.

The application fee covers application processing, as well as registration for the two 15-day periods — or up to 30 non-consecutive days in the case of a special circumstance.

1. Policy Rationale and Purpose:

The registration class of Temporary (visitor) is specifically intended for individuals who are providing psychological services in B.C. on a time-limited basis for a purpose meeting the criteria specified in the Bylaws or in Appendix A.

This class of registration was developed for individuals temporarily practising in B.C. for any of the following purposes:

- a) Acting as an expert witness.
- b) Conducting a psychological assessment.
- c) Participating in, or acting as an instructor for, a course, conference or other time-limited educational event.
- d) Another temporary purpose acceptable to the Registration Committee.

This policy provides further guidance to CHCPBC Bylaws, Schedule 7, 8.0.



2. Policy Scope:

This policy applies to Applicants to the Designated Health Profession of Psychology in the registration class of Temporary (visitor).

Individuals seeking to practise psychology in B.C. on an ongoing basis must apply to the registration class of Registered Psychologist.

3. Legal Authority:

- CHCPBC Bylaws, Schedule 7, 8.0

4. Key Partnerships:

N/A

5. Definitions:

N/A

6. Process Check:

- Board Policy Framework
- Safe Spaces Playbook
- Other:

7. Resources/References:

N/A



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Appendices

Appendix A

Special Circumstances

Continuity of care

If an Applicant to the Designated Health Profession of Psychology (an “Applicant”) requests registration in the class of Temporary (visitor) for the purpose of providing temporary non-emergency–related services to an existing client who is moving to or temporarily located in British Columbia, on the basis that it would be clinically ill-advised to stop providing services to the client or to transfer the client’s care, the Applicant may be granted Temporary (visitor) registration for a period longer than 15 consecutive days under Schedule 7, 8.3.1 of the CHCPBC Bylaws provided the following conditions are met:

- The Applicant’s practice in B.C. will be limited to providing services to that existing client on a maximum of 30 non-consecutive days over a 12-month period, and
- The Applicant meets all other applicable conditions and requirements for Temporary (visitor) registration.

Cross-jurisdictional family/couples services

If an Applicant requests registration in the class of Temporary (visitor) for the purpose of providing temporary non-emergency–related services to a family or couple where one or more members of the family/couple are located in B.C. and the other(s) in another Canadian or U.S. jurisdiction, the Applicant may be granted Temporary (visitor) registration for a period longer than 15 consecutive days under Schedule 7, 8.3.1 of the CHCPBC Bylaws provided the following conditions are met:

- The Applicant’s practice in B.C. will be limited to providing services to that family/couple for a maximum of 30 non-consecutive days over a 12-month period, and
- The Applicant meets all other applicable conditions and requirements for Temporary (visitor) registration.