

Draft Bylaws Overview

Certified Practice

Certified practices are additional restricted activities* that health professionals are permitted to carry once they have been certified by CHCPBC. Eligible health professionals who obtain the CHCPBC-certified practice designation have an expanded scope of practice and are authorized to carry out activities specified in their Regulation, if they meet CHCPBC standards, limits, and conditions.

Under the new HPOA bylaws related to certification:

- Licensees (registrants) may only perform a restricted activity authorized by certified practice if they have been issued a certificate.
- The Board must approve certification programs including academic prerequisites and period of clinical practice to be eligible for certification, education or training requirements to complete in order to be certified, health professionals that are qualified to provide supervision and what level of supervision is needed, if applicable, while completing the education or training required.
- Licensees applying for a certification must complete a form, pay the applicable fees and provide additional information, if requested.
- The licence committee directs the registrar to issue the certificate to a full licence if the licensee has met the requirements.
- The professions that currently have certified practices:
 - Audiology
 - Dietetics
 - Hearing Instrument dispensing
 - Opticianry
 - Speech-language pathology
- Licensees must renew their certified practice certificate before the expiration date by completing the application for renewal form.
- Licensees may apply for reconsideration if the licence committee refuses to issue, renew or reinstate their certified practice.

Please note that certifications included in the draft bylaws reflect current regulations and not regulations that will be in-force on April 1, 2026, as published by Ministry recently. The College is still reviewing the regulations and will amend bylaws as necessary to reflect the new regulations closer to in-force date.

The full part of the draft bylaws is available here: <https://chcpbc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/CHCPBC-Certified-Practice-Draft-Bylaws.pdf>



* **"restricted activity"** means an activity that

- (a) is performed in the course of providing a health service, and
- (b) is prescribed by the minister as a restricted activity