

7.0 Certified Practice

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- 7.1 A Licensee may only provide a Health Service or perform a Restricted Activity authorized by a certified practice certificate established in this Part if:
- (a) the Licensee has been issued that certificate by the Registrar; and
 - (b) the certificate has not been suspended or cancelled.
- 7.2 The Registrar may issue a certified practice certificate only:
- (a) as directed by the Licence Committee under Bylaws 7.1~~13~~ to 7.1~~35~~; and
 - (b) to a full Licensee who may apply for that certificate under Bylaws 7.1~~46~~ to 7.2~~13~~, as applicable.

Certification Programs

- 7.3 For the purposes of determining the date of a Licensee's Application for a certified practice certificate, an Application is deemed completed when all requirements applicable to the applicant in [Bylaw](#) 7.10 are met by the applicant.
- 7.4 For each certified practice certificate established in these Bylaws, the Board must approve a certification program, including:
- (a) the academic prerequisites a full Licensee must hold before commencing the education and training requirements approved by the Board under paragraph (c);
 - (b) the period of clinical practice a full Licensee must complete in the applicable Designated Health Profession before applying for the certificate;
 - (c) the education and training requirements a full Licensee must complete before applying for the certificate;
 - (d) the types of Regulated Health Practitioners who are qualified to supervise a full Licensee in completing the education and training requirements approved by the Board under paragraph (c);
 - (e) what supervision is necessary for a full Licensee who is completing the education and training requirements approved by the Board under paragraph (c).
- 7.5 Unless a shorter period is specified in the certification program for a certified practice certificate, a full Licensee must complete all academic prerequisites for a certified practice certificate approved by the Board under Bylaw 7.4(a) no

more than seven (7) years prior to the date of the Licensee's Application for the certificate.

- 7.6 Despite Bylaw 7.5, if a full Licensee has completed the academic prerequisites for a certified practice certificate more than seven (7) years prior to the date of the Licensee's Application for the certificate, or outside a shorter period for completion specified in the certification program for the certificate, the Licence Committee may still direct the Registrar to issue the certificate to the Licensee under Bylaws 7.1~~13~~ to 7.1~~35~~, if the Licensee:
- (a) otherwise meets the requirements of the certification program for the certificate;
 - (b) successfully completes such additional education and training as the Licence Committee may require; and
 - (c) submits to the Registrar the items required under Bylaw 7.10.
- 7.7 The education and training requirements approved by the Board under Bylaw 7.4(c) for a certified practice certificate must include education and training on infection control and emergency safety procedures applicable to the Health Services and Restricted Activities authorized by the certificate.
- 7.8 A full Licensee must complete all education and training requirements approved by the Board under Bylaw 7.4(c) for a certified practice certificate:
- (a) within a period of three (3) years; and
 - (b) with supervision as required under Bylaw 7.4(d) and (e).
- 7.9 Despite Bylaw 7.8(a), the Licence Committee may allow a full Licensee additional time to complete the education and training requirements for a certified practice certificate, subject to such limits or conditions as the Licence Committee may impose.

Certification Applications

- 7.10 Every full Licensee applying for a certified practice certificate, including reinstatement of certified practice certificate, must submit to the Registrar:
- (a) a completed Application for a certified practice certificate in the form and manner specified by the Registrar that includes information or records, or both, confirming the full Licensee has successfully completed the certification program approved by the Board under Bylaws 7.3 to 7.9 for the certificate for which the Licensee is applying;

- (b) the full amount of the certified practice certificate application Fees specified in Schedule “2”; and
- (c) any additional information or records that the Registrar requests or orders the Licensee to provide.

~~Certified Practice Certificates — Transitional Provisions for Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy~~

~~7.11 Despite Bylaws 7.3 — 7.10, a full Licensee in the Designated Health Professions of Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy may apply for a certified practice certificate as contemplated by, as applicable, Bylaw 7.20 or Bylaw 7.22 by submitting all of the following to the Registrar on or before June 30, 2026:~~

- ~~(a) a completed Application for a certified practice certificate in the form and manner specified by the Registrar;~~
- ~~(b) evidence, in a form satisfactory to the Registrar, that the Licensee has acceptable experience in performing the Restricted Activity for which the certified practice certificate is being applied for;~~
- ~~(c) a declaration, in a form satisfactory to the Registrar, that the Licensee has sufficient knowledge and training, and has obtained required competencies to safely perform the Restricted Activity for which the certified practice certificate is being applied for;~~
- ~~(d) the full amount of the certified practice certificate renewal Fees specified in Schedule “2”; and~~
- ~~(e) any additional information or records that the Registrar requests or orders the Licensee to provide.~~

~~7.12 No Application made under Bylaw 7.11 will be accepted after June 30, 2026.~~

Issuing of Certified Practice Certificates

~~7.13~~7.11 The Licence Committee must direct the Registrar to issue a certified practice certificate to a full Licensee who:

- (a) submits to the Registrar the items required under Bylaw 7.10; and
- (b) meets the requirements of the certification program approved by the Board under Bylaw 7.4 for that certificate; ~~or~~
- ~~(c) qualifies for a certified practice certificate in accordance with Bylaw 7.11.~~

~~7.14~~7.12 A certified practice certificate issued under Bylaw 7.1~~13~~ must:

- (a) be in a form approved by the Licence Committee; and

- (b) identify:
 - (i) the specific certificate issued;
 - (ii) the name of the full Licensee to whom the certificate has been issued;
 - (iii) the date the certificate was issued; and
 - (iv) subject to Bylaw 7.135, the expiry date for the certificate.

7.157.13 A certified practice certificate issued under Bylaw 7.113 expires at midnight on the March 31 immediately following the date it was issued.

Certified Practice Certificates - Audiology

7.167.14 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of audiology may apply for one or more of the following:

- (a) a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee, under section 13 of the Regulation, to provide cerumen management that includes the performance of a Restricted Activity set out in section 13(a) or 13(b) of the Regulation;
- (b) a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee, under section 13 of the Regulation, to provide assessment and management of vestibular system dysfunction that includes the performance of the Restricted Activity set out in section 13(c) of the Regulation; and
- (c) a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee to provide cochlear implant management.

Certified Practice Certificate - Dietetics

7.177.15 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of dietetics may apply for a certified practice certificate authorizing a Licensee to provide a Health Service that includes the performance of a Restricted Activity under section 19 of the Regulation.

Certified Practice Certificates – Hearing Instrument Dispensing

7.187.16 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of hearing instrument dispensing may apply for one or both of the following:

- (a) a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee, under section 24 of the Health and Care Professionals Regulation, to provide cerumen management that includes the performance of a Restricted Activity set out in section 24(2) of the Regulation; and

- (b) a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee, under section 24 of the Regulation, to provide to a Patient under 19 years of age hearing instrument services that include the performance of a Restricted Activity set out in section 24(3) of the Regulation.

7.197.17 A certified practice certificate under Bylaw 7.168(b) must not authorize a full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of hearing instrument dispensing to provide hearing instrument services that include the performance of a Restricted Activity set out in section 24(3) of the Regulation to a Patient:

- (a) who is under 12 years of age; or
- (b) whom a qualified professional has assessed as having a developmental age of less than 12 years in relation to the cognitive and motor skills needed:
 - (i) for testing prior to providing hearing instrument services that include the performance of a Restricted Activity set out in section 24(3) of the Regulation; or
 - (ii) to use a hearing instrument independently.

Certified Practice Certificates – Occupational Therapy

7.207.18 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of occupational therapy may apply for a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform one or more of the Restricted Activities set out in section 27.03 of the Regulation.

Certified Practice Certificate - Opticianry

7.247.19 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of opticianry may apply for a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform a Restricted Activity under section 33 of the Regulation.

Certified Practice Certificate – Physical Therapy

7.227.20 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of physical therapy may apply for a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform one or more of the Restricted Activities set out in section 51 of the Regulation.

Certified Practice Certificates – Speech Language Pathology

7.237.21 A full Licensee in the Designated Health Profession of speech-language pathology may apply for ~~one or more of the following~~: a certified practice certificate authorizing the Licensee, under section 64 of the Regulation, to

provide a service that includes the performance of one or more of the Restricted Activities set out in section 64 of the Regulation, including:

- (a) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform fiberoptic endoscopy;
 - (b) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform voice restoration;
 - (c) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform tracheostomy management with speaking valve;
 - (d) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform airway secretion management; and
 - (e) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform video-fluoroscopic management of velopharyngeal dysfunction; ~~and~~
- ~~(a) a certificate authorizing the Licensee to perform tracheostomy management without speaking valve.~~

Renewal of a Certified Practice Certificate

7.247.22 A full Licensee applying for renewal of a certified practice certificate must, on or before the expiration date for the certificate specified by the Licence Committee under Bylaw 7.135 or Bylaw 7.124(b), submit to the Registrar:

- (a) a completed Application for renewal of the certificate in the form and manner specified by the Registrar that includes a declaration confirming the Licensee continues to provide the services or perform the Restricted Activities authorized by the certificate; and
- (b) the certified practice certificate renewal Fees specified in Schedule “2”.

7.257.23 A certified practice certificate renewed under Bylaw 7.224 expires at midnight on March 31 in the following year.

Revocation of Certification

7.267.24 If a full Licensee fails to satisfy the requirements specified in Bylaw 7.224(a) on or before the expiry date for a certified practice certificate, the certificate is revoked.

7.277.25 Where a full Licensee’s certified practice certificate is revoked under Bylaw 7.246, the Licensee may reinstate the certificate within 30 days of the date of the revocation by:

- (a) satisfying the requirements specified in Bylaw 7.224(a); and
- (b) submitting to the Registrar the full amount of the certified practice permit reinstatement Fees specified in Schedule “2”.

Notation on Registry

7.287.26 The Registrar must enter a notation in the Registry in respect of a certification issued to a Licensee.

7.297.27 The Registrar must remove a certification notification from the Registry if:

- (a) the Licensee ceases to hold a Full Licence; or
- (b) the Licensee's certificate is revoked for any reason.