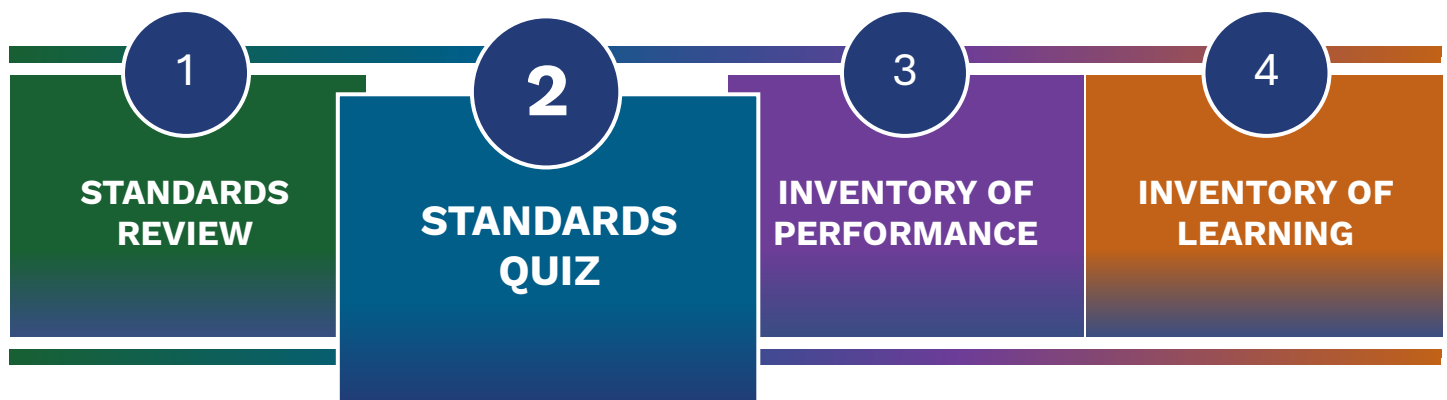


PQPP Backgrounder

The Professional and Quality Practice Program (PQPP) is the College of Health and Care Professionals of British Columbia (CHCPBC) quality assurance program under the Health Professions and Occupations Act (HPOA) that came into force in April 2026.

The PQPP includes four Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Annual Touchpoints. A PQPP Backgrounder is available for each activity, providing details to help you better understand what is involved and required, and how to prepare to get the most out of completing it. This Backgrounder is for the Standards Quiz.



What is the Standards Quiz?

The Standards Quiz is a CPD annual touchpoint that licensees must complete each fall, on their own.

It is an online, open book test that licensees will complete on specific standards of practice that were chosen for this first year of the PQPP. These same standards are covered in the Standards Review. During the quiz, you are asked to apply these standards by choosing the best or most appropriate action(s) when presented with a profession specific scenario and related questions.

What content is on the Standards Quiz?

In 2026, the Standards Quiz focuses on the following three standards:

- [Communications](#)
- [Consent](#)
- [Discontinuing Health Services and Ensuring Continuity of Care](#)

You are presented with five or six profession-specific cases, each with a scenario and two or three related questions. Because it is open book you may consult the standards and any related practice resources while completing the quiz.

If you are licensed in more than one profession, you will only complete one quiz. You will choose which profession-specific version to complete.

How is the Standards Quiz scored?

Each correct answer is worth one mark. Questions will usually have more than one correct answer. For example, if a question includes two correct answer options, the question is worth two marks; if the licensee only chooses one correct answer, they score 1 of the possible 2 marks.

Once you submit your answers, you receive an individualized report with your score and feedback on any answers that are incorrect to facilitate additional learning and comprehension.

There is *not* a pass or fail score for the Standards Quiz, though CHCPBC will monitor results of individuals, groups, and professions. Licensees or groups of licensees who significantly underperform on the Standards Quiz may be selected for a follow-up Quality Assurance (QA) Assessment in 2027.

How long will it take to complete the Standards Quiz?

The Standards Quiz should take no more than 45-60 minutes, including the review of the feedback provided. There is no time limit, so you can also leave and return at another time to complete the quiz, provided you have not submitted your answers.

How do I prepare for the Standards Quiz?

Completing the Standards Review *prior* to completing the Standards Quiz is highly recommended. In the Standards Review you are asked to reflect on situations where the specific standards of practice would apply in your practice and how you would meet the requirements.

The scenarios in the Standards Quiz were written by licensees and are based on real practice in each of the professions. The more you consider how to apply the standards to your practice, the more prepared you will be to complete the Standards Quiz.

Memorizing the 2026 selected standards of practice is *not* necessary. Reflecting on those situations where you will need to apply the standards, and situations where this may be challenging is the best strategy. Licensees may find it beneficial to review with other licensees in preparation for completing the Standards Quiz. This will increase your exposure to other situations where the standards would apply and further facilitate your

ability to implement the standard in practice. While licensees may review with other licensees to prepare, the Standards Quiz must be completed independently by each licensee.

Like similar online quizzes, the Standards Quiz is best done on a desktop computer, laptop or tablet rather than a smart phone. This facilitates navigating through the quiz and tracking your progress.

When you are ready to take the Standards Quiz...

Once you have completed the Standards Review and are prepared to initiate the online Standards Quiz, log into your Licensee Portal and look for it on your Home page, under PQPP. It will be available starting **October 1** each year.



PQPP Tips

- Completing the Standards Review first is highly recommended. Consider reviewing situations related to the 3 standards that will be on the Standards Quiz (*on your own or with other licensees*).
- When ready, set aside about an hour to complete the Standards Quiz (**best completed on a desktop computer, laptop or tablet**).
- **Complete the Standards Quiz on your own.** It is not a group activity.

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