

REGISTERED NURSES

Registered nurses assess, plan, implement and evaluate patient care independently and in conjunction with other members of a health-care team. They diagnose and treat conditions, administer medication and treatment and provide safety and health education to individuals, families, groups and communities. Some may specialize in fields such as occupational health or public health. Hospitals, health and family planning clinics, poison control centres, schools, doctors' offices, rehabilitation centres and similar institutions employ registered nurses.

Nursing is a regulated profession.

To practise nursing in Manitoba you must:

- have completed a basic nursing program approved by the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba
- have worked a minimum of 1,125 hours in the past five years OR complete further education in Manitoba as outlined by the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba
- be registered with the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba

You must complete the following steps:

STEP 1: Phone the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba and tell them you are an internationally educated nurse and want information on how to become licensed to practise in Manitoba.

College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba
890 Pembina Highway
Winnipeg Manitoba R3M 2M8
Phone: 204-774-3477
Toll-free in Manitoba: 1-800-665-2027
Fax: 204-775-6052
E-mail: registration@crnm.mb.ca
Website: www.crnmb.ca

STEP 2: Complete the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba application form to apply to write the Canadian registered nurse examination.

You must submit the following:

- copy of passport (preferred), birth certificate or marriage certificate*
- original copy of a criminal record check performed by the police agency in the country where you were working*
- nursing education documents (a copy of transcripts, diplomas, etc.)*
- verification of registration from the licensing authority where you were first registered and all other jurisdictions in which you were registered in the past seven years

- documentation outlining nursing experience and practice
- verification of practice hours from all nursing employers in the past five years
- basic assessment of your nursing education by the International Qualifications Assessment Service Ψ
- proof of English or French language competency
- application processing fee (\$105)

* If documents are not in English or French, notarized translations are required.

STEP 3: Complete the Canadian registered nurse examination.

STEP 4: Apply to convert your graduate nurse status to registered nurse status within 30 days of completing the exam. When all requirements have been met and fees paid, you are permitted to practise as a registered nurse in Manitoba.

Other information

The college's registration fee is \$337. Annual membership fee is 337.


The Canadian registered nurse examination is offered three times a year in Winnipeg. Exam fee is \$519.

For information and resources on preparing to write the exam contact the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba office or visit www.crnmb.ca. Instructions and application for registration are available at www.crnmb.ca/applicants-international.php

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 Website: www.advancededucation.gov.ab.ca/igas/igas.asp

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Useful website:

 immigratemanitoba.com: employment support for New Manitobans, programs to help you get licensed, learn English for work, and more information and resources