




TITLE: Re-entry to Practice (Refresher)	Number: CR-007-01
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Policy:

The Association fulfills its mandate by ensuring new applicants for registration meet certain standards for entry to practice in the province. In keeping with the Fair Registration Practices Act, the Association makes registration requirements publicly available. This policy outlines the process to re-enter professional practices for applicants who do not meet the currency requirements.

Rationale:

Recent graduation or recent practice within the scope of practice of the profession helps to ensure applicants possess current knowledge, skills and judgment to provide the public with safe, effective and ethical care. Applicants who do not meet the currency requirements must undergo a Re-entry Program acceptable to the Association to ensure they are competent to provide safe, ethical, and effective services to the public. These program aim to balance prior learning and individual learning goals with standard and fair procedures.

Procedure:

1. Applicants seeking registration or renewal who do not meet the currency requirements established by the Association must complete a Re-entry Program with the following components:
 - a. Successfully complete required academic component of the re-entry program. Evidence will be passed exam for refresher program offered through NSAMRT. If program is delivered by another organization then confirmation in writing of successful completion from that organization is required.

- b. Complete a minimum of 240 supervised practice hours. The supervising medical radiation technologist must meet the following requirements:
 - i. Be registered with the Association of Medical Radiation Technologists of Nova Scotia in good standing on the General Register;
 - i. A minimum of three years' experience working as an medical radiation technologist with at least one year in the province of Nova Scotia;
 - ii. Not be placed in conflict of interest by providing supervision to the applicant;
 - iii. Have previous experience with supervision or clinical education;
 - iv. Be willing to provide appropriate supervision for the duration of the Re-entry Program.

Evidence of completion will be a final evaluation provided by the supervisor, including completed supervised practice hours, and signed by the applicant and the supervising technologist;

- c. Review applicable legislation and Association documents. The supervising therapist must indicate on the evaluation form that the applicant is knowledgeable of these documents;
 - d. Successfully complete a learning contract with their supervisor. The applicant will submit the completed learning contract, signed by both the applicant and the supervising therapist, to the Association;
2. Applicants applying for the Re-entry Program must arrange their own supervised practice and receive approval from the Registrar before commencement of the program;
 3. Applicants must meet all other registration requirements before commencement of the program;
 4. The Registrar will review and approve applications for re-entry in a timely manner.

Outcome:

1. Applicant successfully completed a re-entry program approved by the Credentials Committee and will be granted general registration; **or**
2. Applicant does not successfully complete a re-entry program approved by the Credentials Committee and requires additional supervision; **or**
3. Applicant does not successfully complete a re-entry program approved by the Credentials Committee and is not eligible for registration.