

List of Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
A	
AAA	Alberta Association of Audiologists
AAM	Alberta Association of Midwives
AANP	Alberta Association of Naturopathic Practitioners
AAO	Alberta Association of Optometrists
AAPS	Association of Alberta Podiatric Surgeons
AARNPP	Alberta Association of Registered Nurses in Private Practice
AATCMD	Alberta Association of Traditional Chinese Medical Doctors
AC	Accreditation Canada
ACAC	Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors
ACCC	Association of Canadian Community Colleges
ACDQ	Association des chirurgiens dentistes du Québec
ACFP	Alberta College of Family Physicians
ACHDHR	Advisory Committee on Health Delivery and Human Resources
ACIIG	Association québécoise des infirmières et infirmiers en gérontologie
ACIIQ	Association des Conseils des Infirmières et Infirmiers du Québec
ACIPBC	Association of Complementary and Integrative Physicians of British Columbia
ACMDPQ	Association des conseils de médecins, dentistes, et pharmaciens du Québec
ACMDTT	Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic & Therapeutic Technologists
ACMLT	Alberta College of Medical Laboratory Technologists
ACOE	Accreditation Council on Optometric Education
ACOT	Alberta College of Occupational Therapists
ACOT	Alberta College of Optometrists
ACOTRO	Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy Regulatory Organizations
ACP	Advanced Care Paramedic
ACP	Alberta College of Paramedics
ACP	Alberta College of Pharmacists
ACQ	Association des chiropraticiens du Québec
ACSLPA	Alberta College of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
ACSW	Alberta College of Social Worker
ACTA	Association of Counselling Therapy of Alberta
ADA	American Dental Association
ADAC	Alberta Dental Association and College
ADPC	Association of Deans of Pharmacy of Canada
ADTO	Association of Dental Technologists of Ontario
AEESICQ	Association des enseignantes et enseignants en soins infirmiers des collèges du Québec
AETC	Association of Electromyography Technologists of Canada
AFMC	Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada
AFPC	Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada
AGIUQ	Association des gestionnaires infirmiers d'urgence du Québec

AGNA	Alberta Gerontological Nurses Association
AHA	Alberta Homeopathic Association
AHIPO	Association of Hearing Instrument Practitioners of Ontario
AIDQ	L'Association des intervenants en dépendance du Québec
AIISQ	Association des infirmières et des infirmiers en soins de pieds du Québec
AIMDBC	Association of International Medical Doctors of British Columbia
AIMGA	Alberta International Medical Graduates Association
AIPAQ	Association des infirmières et infirmiers en soins périanesthésiques du Québec
AIPHE	Accreditation of Interprofessional Health Education
AIPI	Association des infirmières en prévention des infections
AIPSQ	Association des infirmières praticiennes spécialisées du Québec
AKA	Alberta Kinesiology Association
ALS	Advanced Life Support
AMA	Alberta Medical Association
AMNL	Association of Midwives of Newfoundland and Labrador
AMNQ	Association de médecine naturopathique du Québec
AMRTRC	Alliance of Medical Radiation Technologists Regulators of Canada
ANBLPN	Association of New Brunswick Licensed Practical Nurses
AND	Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
ANN	Aboriginal Nutrition Network
ANNA	Alberta Neonatal Nurses Association
ANSM	Association of Nova Scotia Midwives
ANTSLPA	Association of Northwest Territorial Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
AOHNA	Alberta Occupational Health Nurses Association
AOM	Association of Ontario Midwives
AOQ	Association des optométristes du Québec
APA	Alberta Pharmacists' Association
APBC	Ambulance Paramedics of British Columbia
APESQ	Association des pharmaciens des établissements de santé du Québec
APNL	Association of Psychology in Newfoundland and Labrador
APNS	Association of Psychologists of Nova Scotia
APNT	Association of Psychologists of the Northwest Territories
APQ	Association des psychologues du Québec
AQATP	L'association québécoise des assistants(es) techniques en pharmacie
AQCSG	Association québécoise des classifications de soins infirmiers
AQIIRC	Association québécoise des infirmières et infirmiers en recherche clinique
AQIISM	Association québécoise des infirmières et infirmiers en santé mentale
AQIIU	Association québécoise des infirmières et infirmiers en urologie
AQP	Association québécoise de la physiothérapie
AQPP	Association québécoise des pharmaciens propriétaires
AQRDM	Association Québécoise en Retraitement des Dispositifs Médicaux
ARC-PA	Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (US)
ARNNL	Association of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador
ARNPEI	Association of Registered Nurses of Prince Edward Island
ART	Advanced Registered Technologist

ASO	Alberta Society of Orthodontists
ASPEN	American Society for Parental and Enteral Nutrition
ASPEN	American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition
ASWNC	The Association of Social Workers in Northern Canada
ATCMANS	Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine Association of Nova Scotia
AUCC	Association of Universities and Colleges Canada
AUD	Audiology

B

BACK	British Columbia Association of Kinesiologists
BCAH	BC Association of Homeopaths
BCAMRT	British Columbia Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
BCASW	British Columbia Association of Social Workers
BCCA	British Columbia Chiropractic Association
BCCACHWR	BC Care Aide & Community Health Worker Registry
BCCSW	British Columbia College of Social Workers
BCDA	British Columbia Dental Association
BCDHA	British Columbia Dental Hygienists' Association
BCNA	British Columbia Naturopathic Association
BCNPA	British Columbia Nurse Practitioner Association
BCNU	British Columbia Nurses' Union
BCO	British Columbia Association of Optometrists
BCPA	British Columbia Pharmacy Association
BCPA	British Columbia Psychological Association
BCPMA	British Columbia Podiatric Medical Association
BCSLS	British Columbia Society of Laboratory Science
BCSO	British Columbia Society of Orthodontists
BCSRT	British Columbia Society of Respiratory Therapists
BNSCC	Board of the Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors
BScM	Bachelor of Science in Midwifery
BScN	Bachelor of Science in Nursing

C

CAA	Canadian Academy of Audiology
CAAA	College and Association of Acupuncturists of Alberta
CAASPR	Canadian Alliance of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Regulators
CAC	Curriculum Advisory Committee
CACCE	Canadian Association of Continuing Care Educators
CACO	Canadian Assessment of Competency in Optometry
CACUP- ASLP	Council for Accreditation of Canadian University Programs in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology
CAD	College of Alberta Denturists
CADA	College of Alberta Dental Assistants
CAEP	Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians
CAET	Canadian Association of Electroneurophysiology Technologists

CAF	Canadian Armed Forces
CAHP	Canadian Academy of the History of Pharmacy
CAHS	Canadian Academy of Health Sciences
CAIR	Canadian Association of Interns and Residents
CAM	Canadian Association of Midwives
CAMLPR	Canadian Alliance of Medical Laboratory Professionals Regulators
CAMRT	Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
CAND	Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors
CanMEDS-PA	Canadian Medical Education Directions for Specialists, Physician Assistant
CAO	Canadian Association of Optometry
CAOT	Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists
CAOT	Canadian Association of Occupational Therapy
CAOTBC	Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists British Columbia
CAOTN	Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists North
CAOTQ	Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists Quebec
CAP	Canadian Association of Pathologists
CAP	College of Alberta Psychologists
CAP-ACP	Canadian Association of Pathologists-Association canadienne des pathologistes
CAPA	Canadian Association of Physician Assistants
CAPER	Canadian Post MD Education Registry
CAPHD	Canadian Association of Public Health Dentistry
CAPR	Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators
CAR	Canadian Association of Radiologists
CaRMS	Canadian Resident Matching Service
CARNA	College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta
CARTA	College and Association of Respiratory Therapists of Alberta
CAS	Canadian Anesthesiologists' Society
CAS	Chiropractors' Association of Saskatchewan
CASLPM	College of Audiologists and Speech – Language Pathologists of Manitoba
CASN	Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing
CASPLA	Canadian Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
CASPLPO	College of Audiologist and Speech Language Pathologist of Ontario
CASW	Canadian Association of Social Workers
CATCM	Canadian Association of Therapists in Complementary Medicine
CAUSN	Canadian Association of University Schools of Nursing
CBME	Competency Based Medical Education
CCA	Canadian Chiropractic Association
CCA	Continuing Care Assistants
CCAPP	Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Program
CCBC	College of Chiropractors of British Columbia
CCCPR	Canadian Collaborative Centre for Physician Resources
CCHL	Canadian College of Health Leaders
CCMR	Canadian Consortium of Midwifery Regulators
CCMTS	Canadian Council of Massage Therapy Schools
CCNM	Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine

CCO	College of Chiropractors of Ontario
CCO	College of Chiropractors of Ontario
CCP	Critical care paramedic
CCPA	Canadian Certified Physician Assistant
CCPA	Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association
CCRNR	Canadian Council of Registered Nurse Regulators
CCTNB	College of Counselling Therapists of New Brunswick
CCUPEKA	Canadian Council of University Physical Education and Kinesiology Administrators
CDA	Canadian Dental Association
CDA	Canadian Dermatology Association
CDA	Canadian Dietetics Association
CDA	College of Dietitians of Alberta
CDAA	Canadian Dental Assistants Association
CDAC	Canadian Dental Accreditation of Canada
CDBC	College of Denturists of British Columbia
CDBC	College of Dietitians of British Columbia
CDDS	Calgary and District Dental Society
CDHA	Canadian Dental Hygiene Association
CDHBC	College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia
CDHM	College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba
CDHNS	College of Dental Hygienists of Nova Scotia
CDHO	College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario
CDM	College of Dietitians of Manitoba
CDNAA	Canadian Dental Nurses and Assistants Association
CDO	College of Denturists of Ontario
CDO	College of Dietitians of Ontario
CDPEI	College of Dietitians of Prince Edward Island
CDRE	Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination
CDSBC	College of Dental Surgeons of British Columbia
CDSS	College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan
CDTA	Canadian Dental Therapists Association
CDTA	College of Dental Technologists of Alberta
CDTO	College of Dental Technologists of Ontario
CEO	Canadian Examiners in Optometry
CETP	Canadian Entry-to-Practice
CFHR	Canadian Foundation for Health Improvement
CFMS	Canadian Federation of Medical Students
CFNU	Canadian Federation of Nurses Union
CFPC	College of Family Physicians of Canada
CFPT	College of Family Physicians of Canada
CHLNet	Canadian Health Leadership Network
CHPA	College of Hearing Practitioners of Alberta
CHR	Community health representative
CHW	Community health worker OR Committee on Health Workforce

CHWN	Canadian Health Workforce Network
CHWNC	Community Health Workers Network of Canada
CIHI	Canadian Institute for Health Information
CIISOQ	Corporation des infirmières et infirmiers de salle d'opération du Québec
CINA	Canadian Indigenous Nurses Association
CJMT	Canadian Journal of Medical Technology
CKA	Canadian Kinesiology Association
CLPNA	College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta
CLPNBC	College of Licensed Practical Nurses of British Columbia
CLPNM	College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba
CLPNNL	College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Newfoundland & Labrador
CLPNNS	College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Nova Scotia
CMA	Canadian Medical Association
CMA	College of Midwives of Alberta
CMAAC	Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Association of Canada
CMAY	Community Midwifery Association of Yukon
CMBC	College of Midwives of British Columbia
CMCC	Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College
CMLTM	College of Medical Laboratory Technologists of Manitoba
CMLTO	College of Medical Laboratory Technologists of Ontario
CMM	College of Midwives of Manitoba
CMNL	College of Midwives of Newfoundland and Labrador
CMO	College of Midwives of Ontario
CMQ	Collège des médecins du Québec
CMRC	Canadian Midwifery Regulators Consortium
CMRC	Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council
CMRE	Canadian Midwifery Registration Exam
CMRE	Canadian Midwifery Registration Exam
CMRTO	College of Medical Radiation Technologists of Ontario
CMTA	Canadian Massage Therapist Alliance
CMTBC	College of Massage Therapists of British Columbia
CMTNL	College of Massage Therapists of Newfoundland & Labrador
CMTO	College of Massage Therapists of Ontario
CNA	Canadian Nurses Association
CNDA	College Of Naturopathic Doctors Of Alberta
CNO	College of Nurses of Ontario
CNP	Certified Nutritional Practitioner
CNPBC	College of Naturopathic Physicians of British Columbia
CNPI	Canadian Nurse Practitioner Initiative
COA	Canadian Orthopaedic Association
COA	College of Opticians of Alberta
COBC	College of Opticians of British Columbia
COBC	College of Optometrists of British Columbia
COKO	College of Kinesiologists of Ontario
CONO	College Of Naturopaths Of Ontario

COO	College of Opticians of Ontario
COO	College of Optometrists of Ontario
COTBC	College of Occupational Therapists of BC
COTM	College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba
COTNS	College of Occupational Therapists of Nova Scotia
COTO	College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario
CP	Community paramedicine
CPA	Canadian Physiotherapists Association
CPA	Canadian Psychiatric Association
CPA	Canadian Psychological Association
CPBC	College of Pharmacists of British Columbia
CPBC	College of Psychologists of British Columbia
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CPhA	Canadian Pharmacists Association
CPHA	Canadian Public Health Association
CPM	College of Pharmacists of Manitoba
CPM	College of Physiotherapists of Manitoba
CPM	College of Podiatrists of Manitoba
CPMA	Canadian Podiatric Medical Association
CPNB	College of Physiotherapists of New Brunswick
CPNB	College of Psychologists of New Brunswick
CPNP	Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program
CPNS	College of Paramedics of Nova Scotia
CPO	College of Physiotherapists of Ontario
CPO	College of Psychologists of Ontario
CPPA	College of Podiatric Physicians of Alberta
CPQ	Corporation Des Paramédics Du Québec
CPR	Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
CPSA	College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta
CPSA	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta
CPSBC	College of Physicians & Surgeons of British Columbia
CPSBC	College of Podiatric Surgeons of British Columbia
CPSM	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba
CPSNB	College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick
CPSNL	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Newfoundland and Labrador
CPSNS	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia
CPSO	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario
CPSPEI	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Prince Edward Island
CPSS	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan
CPTA	College of Physical Therapists of Alberta
CPTBC	College of Physical Therapists of British Columbia
CRA	Canadian Rheumatology Association
CRDHA	College of Registered Dental Hygienists of Alberta
CRNBC	College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia
CRNE	Canadian Registered Nurse Examination

CRNM	College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba
CRNNS	College of Registered Nurses of Nova Scotia
CRPNA	College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Alberta
CRPNBC	College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of British Columbia
CRPNM	College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Manitoba
CRPO	College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario
CRTO	College of Respiratory Therapists of Ontario
CSACI	Canadian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology
CSAO	Canadian Standard Assessment in Optometry
CSHA	Canadian Speech and Hearing Association
CSHBC	College of Speech and Hearing Health Professionals of British Columbia
CSHP	Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists
CSLT	Canadian Society of Laboratory Technologists
CSMA	Canadians Studying Medicine Abroad
CSMLS	Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science
CSNM	Canadian Society of Nutrition Management
CSRT	Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists
CTCMABC	College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia
CTCMPANL	College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Newfoundland and Labrador
CTCMPAO	College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Ontario
CUPE	Canadian Union of Public Employees

D

DAC	Denturist Association of Canada
DAEC	Dental Assisting Educators of Canada
DAM	Denturist Association of Manitoba
DANL	Denturist Association of Newfoundland Labrador
DAO	Denturist Association of Ontario
DAPEI	Dental Association for Prince Edward Island
DAT	Dental Aptitude Test
DC	Dietitians of Canada
DCh	Diploma of Chiropody
DCPEI	Dental Council of Prince Edward Island
DLBNS	Denturist Licensing Board of Nova Scotia
DPT	Doctor of Physical Therapy
DSS	Denturist Society of Saskatchewan
DSW	Developmental support worker
DtP	Diététiste professionnel

E

ED	Emergency Department
EMA	Emergency medical assistant
EMALB	Emergency Medical Assistants Licensing Board
EMR	Emergency medical responder
EMS	Emergency medical services

EMT	Emergency medical technician
ENABC	Emergency Nurses Association of British Columbia
EPA	Entrustable Professional Activity
ESDC	Employment and Social Development Canada

F

FACT	Federation of Associations for Counselling Therapists
FCABQ	Fédération des centres d'action bénévole du Québec
FCBC	Family Caregivers of British Columbia
FCSMLS	Fellowship of the Canadian Society of Medical Laboratory Science
FDSQ	Fédération des Dentistes Spécialistes du Québec
FHDQ	Fédération des hygiénistes dentaires du Québec
FHRCO	Federation of Health Regulatory Colleges in Ontario
FHT	Family health team
FISQ	Fédération Interprofessionnelle de la santé du Québec
FKQ	La Fédération des kinésiologues du Québec
FMOQ	Fédération des médecins omnipraticiens du Québec
FMRAC	Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada
FMRQ	Fédération des médecins résidents du Québec
FMSQ	Fédération des médecins spécialistes du Québec
FNIHB	First Nations and Inuit Health Branch
FORAC	Federation of Optometric Regulatory Authorities of Canada
FPNANS	Family Practice Nurses Association of Nova Scotia
FQM	Fédération québécoise des massothérapeutes

G

GED	General Educational Development
GNABC	Gerontological Nurses Association of British Columbia
GPA	Grade point average

H

HCA	Health Care Aide (Alberta)
HCO	Home Care Ontario
HEABC	Health Employers Association of British Columbia
HEAL	Health Action Lobby
HFO	HealthForceOntario
HHRP	Health human resources productivity
HPRAC	Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Committee (Ontario)
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration (United States)
HRSDC	Human Resources' and Skills Development Canada
HSAA	Health Sciences Association of Alberta
HSSA	Health Sciences Student Association
HWA	Health Workforce Australia
HWDB	Health Workforce Database

I

ICDEP	Integrated Competencies for Dietetic Education and Practice
ICN	International Council of Nurses
IDNT	International Dietetics and Nutrition Terminology
IEHP	Internationally educated health practitioner
IEN	Internationally educated nurse
IEP	Internationally Educated Practitioner
IFD	International Federation of Denturists
IMG	International Medical Graduates
IPAC	Indigenous Physicians Association of Canada
ITD	Internationally Trained Dentist

K

KANS	Kinesiology Association of Nova Scotia
KPEI	Kinesiology Prince Edward Island

L

LPN	Licensed practical nurse
LPNABC	Licensed Practical Nurses Association of British Columbia
LPNAPEI	Licensed Practical Nurses Association of Prince Edward Island

M

MAAP	Manitoba Association of Asian Physicians
MABC	Midwives Association of BC
MAFCN	Manitoba Association of Foot Care Nurses
MAINPRO	Maintenance of Proficiency
MAM	Manitoba Association of Midwives
MAMLS	Manitoba Association for Medical Laboratory Science
MAMRT	Manitoba Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
MANB	Midwives Association of New Brunswick
MAO	Manitoba Association of Optometrists
MARRT	Manitoba Association of Registered Respiratory Therapists
MAS	Midwives Association of Saskatchewan
MCA	Manitoba Chiropractors Association
MCAT	Medical College Admissions Test
MCC	Medical Council of Canada
MCCEE	Medical Council of Canada Evaluating Exam
MCCQE-1	Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination, Part 1
MCCQE-2	Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination, Part 2
MCNB	Midwifery Council of New Brunswick
MCSW	Manitoba College of Social Workers
MDA	Manitoba Dental Association
MDAA	Manitoba Dental Assistants Association
MDHA	Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association

MDS	Minimum dataset
MEP	Midwifery Education Program
MHA	Manitoba Homeopathic Association
MHLTC	Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
MKA	Manitoba Kinesiology Association
MLA	Medical laboratory assistant
MLPAO	Medical Laboratory Professionals' Association of Ontario
MLT	Medical laboratory technologist
MNA	Manitoba Naturopathic Association
MNU	Manitoba Nurses Union
MOC	Maintenance of Certification
MPA	Manitoba Physiotherapy Association
MPCNU	Manitoba Palliative Care Nurses Association
MPS	Manitoba Psychological Society
MRA	Medical Regulatory Authority
MRA	Mutual Recognition Agreement
MRCNS	Midwifery Regulatory Council of Nova Scotia
MScN	Master of Science in Nursing
MSHA	Manitoba Speech and Hearing Association
MSN	Master of Science Nursing
MSOT	Manitoba Society of Occupational Therapists
MSPEI	Medical Society of Prince Edward Island
MTAA	Massage Therapist Association of Alberta
MTAM	Massage Therapy Association of Manitoba
MTANS	Massage Therapists' Association of Nova Scotia
MTAS	Massage Therapist Association of Saskatchewan, Inc.
MTCU	Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (Ontario)

N

NAC	National Assessment Collaboration Exam
NACM	National Aboriginal Council of Midwives
NADA	National Aboriginal Diabetic Association
NAIT	Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
NANB	Nurses Association of New Brunswick
NAPRA	National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities
NBAD	New Brunswick Association of Dietitians
NBAMRT	New Brunswick Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
NBAND	New Brunswick Association Of Naturopathic Doctors
NBAO	New Brunswick Association of Optometrists
NBAOT	New Brunswick Association of Occupational Therapists
NBART	New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapists
NBASLPA	New Brunswick Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
NBASW	New Brunswick Association of Social Workers
NBCA	New Brunswick Chiropractors' Association
NBCDH	New Brunswick College of Dental Hygienists

NBCP	New Brunswick College of Pharmacists
NBDHA	New Brunswick Dental Hygienists Association
NBDS	New Brunswick Dental Society
NBDS	New Brunswick Denturists Society
NBKA	New Brunswick Kinesiology Association
NBMA	New Brunswick Massotherapy Association
NBMS	New Brunswick Medical Society
NBNU	New Brunswick Nurses Union
NBPA	New Brunswick Pharmacists' Association
NBPA	New Brunswick Physiotherapy Association
NBPA	New Brunswick Podiatry Association
NBPS	New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society
NBSMLT	New Brunswick Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists
NCCPA	National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (US)
NCLEX	National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses
NCP	National Competency Profile
NCP	Nutrition Care Process
NDAEB	National Dental Assisting Examining Board
NDEBC	National Dental Examining Board of Canada
NDHCB	National Dental Hygiene Certification Board
NIICHRO	National Indian & Inuit Community Health Representatives Organization
NLAMRT	Newfoundland & Labrador Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
NLAO	Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Optometrists
NLAOT	Newfoundland & Labrador Association of Occupational Therapists
NLART	Newfoundland & Labrador Association of Respiratory Therapists
NLASLPA	Newfoundland & Labrador Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
NLASW	Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Social Workers
NLCA	Newfoundland & Labrador Chiropractic Association
NLCD	Newfoundland & Labrador College of Dietitians
NLCDH	Newfoundland and Labrador College of Dental Hygienists
NLCMLS	Newfoundland & Labrador College for Medical Laboratory Science
NLCP	Newfoundland and Labrador College of Physiotherapists
NLCRT	Newfoundland & Labrador College of Respiratory Therapists
NLDA	Newfoundland & Labrador Dental Association
NLDA	Newfoundland and Labrador Dental Association
NLDAA	Newfoundland and Labrador Dental Assistants Association
NLDB	Newfoundland and Labrador Dental Board
NLDHA	Newfoundland & Labrador Dental Hygienists Association
NLKA	Newfoundland and Labrador Kinesiology Association
NLMA	Newfoundland and Labrador Medical Association
NLNO	Nursing Leadership Network of Ontario
NLOB	Newfoundland & Labrador Optometric Board
NLOTB	Newfoundland and Labrador Occupational Therapy Board
NLPA	Newfoundland and Labrador Physiotherapy Association
NLPB	Newfoundland & Labrador Pharmacy Board

NLPB	Newfoundland & Labrador Psychology Board
NLSMLS	Newfoundland & Labrador Society for Medical Laboratory Science
NNAS	National Nursing Assessment Service
NNCP	Natural Nutrition- Certified Practitioner
NOC	National Occupation Classification
NOCP	National Occupational Competency Profile
NODIP	Northern Ontario Dietetic Internship Program
NOSM	Northern Ontario School of Medicine
NOTCE	National Occupational Therapy Certification Examination
NP	Nurse practitioner
NPAA	Nurse Practitioner Association of Alberta
NPAM	Nurse Practitioner Association of Manitoba
NPANS	Nurse Practitioners' Association of Nova Scotia
NPAO	Nurse Practitioners' Association of Ontario
NPS	Nurse Practitioners of Saskatchewan
NSAMRT	Nova Scotia Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
NSAND	Nova Scotia Association of Naturopathic Doctors
NSAO	Nova Scotia Association of Optometrists
NSBEP	Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology
NSCASLP	Nova Scotia College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists
NSCC	Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors
NSCCT	Nova Scotia College of Counselling Therapists
NSCDO	Nova Scotia College of Dispensing Opticians
NSCMLT	Nova Scotia College of Medical Laboratory Technologists
NSCO	Nova Scotia College of Optometrists
NSCP	Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists
NSCP	Nova Scotia College of Physiotherapists
NSCRT	Nova Scotia College of Respiratory Therapists
NSCSW	Nova Scotia College of Social Workers
NSDA	Nova Scotia Dental Association
NSDA	Nova Scotia Dietetic Association
NSDT	National School of Dental Therapy
NSDTA	Nova Scotia Dental Technicians Association
NSGNA	Nova Scotia Gerontological Nurses Association
NSNU	Nova Scotia Nurses' Union
NSPA	Nova Scotia Physiotherapy Association
NSPA	Nova Scotia Podiatry Association
NSSDO	Nova Scotia Society of Dispensing Opticians
NSSOT	Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists
NTAND	Northwest Territories Association Of Naturopathic Doctors
NTMA	Northwest Territories Medical Association
NTNDA	Northwest Territories & Nunavut Dental Association
NUA	Nursing Undergraduate Association- University of Alberta
NWHA	National Health Workforce Accounts

O

OAMHP	Ontario Alliance of Mental Health Practitioners
OAMHP	Ontario Association of Mental Health Professionals
OAMRT	Ontario Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
OANB	Opticians Association of New Brunswick
OAND	Ontario Association of Naturopathic Doctors
OAO	Ontario Association of Optometrists
OAO	Ontario Association of Orthodontists
OAQ	Order of Acupuncturists Quebec
OAQ	Ordre des audioprothésistes du Québec
OAT	Optometry Admissions Test
OCA	Ontario Chiropractic Association
OCCHOQ	Ordre des conseillers et conseillères d'orientation du Québec
OCFP	Ontario College of Family Physicians
OCHM	Ontario College of Homeopathic Medicine
OCO	Ontario Caregiver Organization
OCP	Ontario College of Pharmacists
OCQ	Ordre des chiropracticiens du Québec
OCSA	Ontario Community Support Association
OCSWSSW	Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers
OD	Doctors of Optometry
ODA	Ontario Dental Association
ODAA	Ontario Dental Assistants Association
ODHA	Ontario Dental Hygienists' Association
ODQ	Ordre des dentistes du Québec
ODQ	Ordre des denturologistes du Québec
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OEQ	Ordre des ergotherapeutes du Quebec
OFAAABC	Occupational First Aid Attendants Association of British Columbia
OHA	Ontario Hospital Association
OHDQ	Ordre des hygiénistes dentaires du Québec
OHMA	Ontario Homeopathic Medical Association
OHNANS	Occupational Health Nurses Association of Nova Scotia
OIIAQ	Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers auxiliaires du Québec
OIIQ	Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec
OKA	Ontario Kinesiology Association
OMA	Ontario Medical Association
ONA	Ontario Nurses Association
OOA	Ontario Opticians Association
OOAQ	Ordre des orthophonistes et audiologistes du Québec
OOM	The Opticians of Manitoba
OOOQ	Ordre des opticiens d'ordonnance du Québec
OOQ	Ordre des optométristes du Québec
OPA	Ontario Paramedic Association

OPA	Ontario Pharmacists Association
OPA	Ontario Physiotherapy Association
OPA	Ontario Psychological Association
OPDQ	Ordre professionnel des diététistes du Québec
OPIQ	Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec
OPMA	Ontario Podiatric Medical Association
OPPQ	Ordre professionnel de la physiothérapie du Québec
OPPSWA	Ontario Personal Support Workers Association
OPQ	Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec
OPQ	Ordre des podiatres du Québec
OPQ	Ordre des psychologues du Québec
OPTMQ	Ordre professionnel des technologistes médicaux du Québec
ORNAA	Operating Room Nurses of Alberta Association
ORNANS	Operating Room Nurses Association of Nova Scotia
OSC	Ontario Society of Chiropractors
OSLA	Ontario Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologist
OSOT	Ontario Society of Occupational Therapy
OT	Occupational therapist
OTepp	Occupational Therapy Examination and Practice Preparation
OTIMROEPMQ	Ordre des technologues en imagerie médicale, en radio-oncologie et en électrophysiologie médicale
OTSTCFQ	Ordre des travailleurs sociaux et thérapeutes conjugaux et familiaux du Québec
OTTDQ	Ordre de techniciens et techniciennes dentaires du Québec

P

PA	Physician Assistant
PAA	Psychologists' Association of Alberta
PABC	Physiotherapy Association of British Columbia
PAC	Paramedic Association of Canada
PACA	Physiotherapy Alberta College + Association
PACCC	Physician Assistant Certification Council of Canada
PAEP	Physician Assistant Education Program
PAIWG	Physician Assistant Integration Working Group (Ontario)
PAM	Paramedic Association of Manitoba
PAM	Psychological Association of Manitoba
PAML	Paramedic Association of Newfoundland and Labrador
PANB	Paramedics Association of New Brunswick
PANL	Pharmacists' Association of Newfoundland and Labrador
PANS	Pharmacy Association of Nova Scotia
PAPEI	Paramedic Association of Prince Edward Island
PAPEI	Psychological Association of Prince Edward Island
PARO	Professional Association of Residents of Ontario
PARPA	Professional Association of Resident Physicians of Alberta
PAS	Pharmacists' Association of Saskatchewan
PAS	Psychology Association of Saskatchewan
PAY	Physiotherapy Association of Yukon

PCAM	Physician and Clinical Assistants of Manitoba
PCAT	Pharmacy College Admission Test
PCP	Primary care paramedic
PDBNS	Provincial Dental Board of Nova Scotia
PDEP	Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice
PDRA	Provincial Dental Regulatory Authority
PEIAMRT	Prince Edward Island Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
PEIAND	Prince Edward Island Association Of Naturopathic Doctors
PEIAO	Prince Edward Island Association of Optometrists
PEIASW	Prince Edward Island Association of Social Workers
PEICA	Prince Edward Island Chiropractic Association
PEICO	Prince Edward Island College of Optometrists
PEICOT	Prince Edward Island College of Occupational Therapists
PEICP	Prince Edward Island College of Pharmacy
PEICP	Prince Edward Island College of Physiotherapists
PEIDHA	Prince Edward Island Dental Hygienists' Association
PEIMTA	Prince Edward Island Massage Therapy Association
PEINU	Prince Edward Island Nurses Union
PEIOTRB	Prince Edward Island Occupational Therapists Registration Board
PEIOTS	Prince Edward Island Occupational Therapists Society
PEIPA	Prince Edward Island Pharmacists Association
PEIPA	Prince Edward Island Physiotherapy Association
PEISHA	PEI Speech and Hearing Association
PEISMLS	Prince Edward Island Society for Medical Laboratory Science
PHAC	Public Health Agency of Canada
PLA	Prior Learning Assessment
PSNO	Personal Support Network of Ontario
PSW	Personal support worker
PT	Physiotherapist
PTCMASS	Provincial Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Society of Saskatchewan
PTSA	Pharmacy Technician Society of Alberta
PTSBC	Pharmacy Technician Society of British Columbia
PTSD	Post-traumatic stress disorder
PTSS	Pharmacy Technician Society of Saskatchewan

Q

QBMA	Quebec Black Medical Association
QDSA	Québec Dental Surgeons Associations

R

RCDC	Royal College of Dentists of Canada
RCDSO	Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Canada
RCPSC	Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (Royal College)
RD	Registered Dietitian
RHN	Registered Holistic Nurse

RHPA	Regulated Health Professionals Act
RIIRSS	Regroupement interprofessionnel des intervenants retraités des services de santé
RIISIQ	Regroupement des infirmières et infirmiers en soins intensifs du Québec
RLSFQ	Regroupement Les Sages-femmes du Québec
RMTAO	Registered Massage Therapists' Association of Ontario
RN	Registered nurse
RNANT/NU	Registered Nurses Association of Northwest Territories and Nunavut
RNAO	Registered Nurses Association of Ontario
RNCP	Registered Nutritional Consulting Practitioner
RNUNL	Registered Nurses' Union Newfoundland and Labrador
RPN	Registered psychiatric nurse
RPN	Registered practical nurse
RPNAO	Registered Practical Nurses Association of Ontario
RPNC	Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Canada
RT	Registered Technologist
RTSO	Respiratory Therapy Society of Ontario

S

SAA	Saskatchewan Acupuncture Association
SAC	Speech-Language and Audiology Canada
SALPN	Saskatchewan Association of Licensed Practical Nurses
SAMRT	Saskatchewan Association of Medical Radiation Technologists
SANP	Saskatchewan Association of Naturopathic Practitioners
SANP	Saskatchewan Association of Nurse Practitioners
SAO	Saskatchewan Association of Optometrists
SAOT	Society of Alberta Occupational Therapists
SASLPA	Saskatchewan Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
SASW	Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers
SCM	Saskatchewan College of Midwives
SCO	Saskatchewan College of Opticians
SCoP	Saskatchewan College of Paramedics
SCOP	Saskatchewan College of Podiatrists
SCPP	Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
SCPT	Saskatchewan College of Physical Therapists
SCRT	Saskatchewan College of Respiratory Therapists
SDA	Saskatchewan Dietitians Association
SDAA	Saskatchewan Dental Assistants' Association
SDHA	Saskatchewan Dental Hygienists' Association
SDTA	Saskatchewan Dental Therapists' Association
SGPBC	Society of General Practitioners of British Columbia
SHBC	Speech and Hearing BC
SKCP	Saskatchewan College of Psychologists
SKESA	Saskatchewan Kinesiology and Exercise Science Association
SLP	Speech-Language Pathology
SMA	Saskatchewan Medical Association

SOAHAC	Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centres
SPA	Saskatchewan Physiotherapy Association
SPA	Saskatchewan Podiatry Association
SPHQ	Syndicat Professionnel des Homéopathes du Québec
SQISR	Société québécoise des infirmières en santé respiratoire a/s Association pulmonaire du Québec
SRNA	Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association
SSMLT	Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists
SSOT	Saskatchewan Society of Occupational Therapists
SUN	Saskatchewan Union of Nurses

T

TAAA	Therapy Assistant Association of Alberta
TCMABC	Traditional Chinese Medicine Association of British Columbia
TM	Technologiste Médical
TML	Technologist Médical Laboratoire

U

UAMSA	University of Alberta Medical Student's Association
UNA	United Nurses of Alberta
UQTR	Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières

V

VMS	Victoria Medical Society
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W

WCIHC	Western Canadian Interprofessional Health Collaborative
WCO	World Council of Optometry
WHO	World Health Organization

Y

YDA	Yukon Dental Association
YMA	Yukon Medical Association
YMC	Yukon Medical Council
YPA	Yukon Pharmacists Association
YRNA	Yukon Registered Nurses Association
YSLPAA	Yukon Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Association
	Caregivers Alberta
	Caregivers Nova Scotia
	Doctors Manitoba
	Doctors Nova Scotia
	Doctors of BC
	Midwives Association of the NWT
	Northwest Territories Health Professional Licensing
	Northwest Territories/ Nunavut branch of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association
	Nunavut Nurses

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Pharmacists Manitoba