

Application Instructions for Physician Extender Licensure

Read this document in its entirety including the Directions for Physician Extenders.

This licence is ONLY available to residents and fellows who are currently enrolled in a postgraduate training program at either the University of Alberta or the University of Calgary, have successfully completed a minimum of 18 months postgraduate training, have obtained the Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada (LMCC), and have support from their Program Director to work as a Physician Extender. This licence permits residents to work under supervision in high acuity areas in facilities located within Edmonton or Calgary zones of Alberta Health Services.

Prior to working as a Physician Extender, **candidates must have appropriate liability coverage**. Extender activity may not be included with liability coverage for postgraduate training. It is incumbent upon the candidate to ensure the required coverage is in place via one of the following:

- Appropriate category of membership in the Canadian Medical Protective Association (CMPA),
- A policy of professional liability insurance that provides coverage of at least \$10 million issued by a company licensed to carry on business in the province of Alberta, or
- Equivalent liability coverage through the employer.

To be licensed as a Physician Extender, candidates must **submit the following in one package** to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta. Please allow at least one month for processing.

1. Covering letter requesting registration as a Physician Extender with up to date contact information including:
 - complete mailing address
 - phone and pager numbers
 - email address
2. A copy of your Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada certificate.
3. A letter of support from the Program Director confirming:
 - successful completion of at least 18 months of postgraduate training
 - satisfactory standing in the program
 - support for licensure as a Physician Extender
4. [Completed and witnessed Registration Understanding and Acknowledgement](#). Retain a copy of this agreement for your records.
5. [Directions for Physician Extenders](#). Retain a copy of this for your records.
6. [Payment of fees](#). (**Current fee of \$1150**. Payment may be made by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Cheque)
 - the physician extender registration fee of \$200
 - the current year annual fee for physician extenders, currently \$950

Once all of the above information has been received and reviewed, you will be informed of the status of your application and whether or not you qualify for a Physician Extender licence in Alberta. There is no guarantee that a licence will be issued.