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Intent/Purpose	To establish a policy governing the CANRA QE set or approved by the College of Naturopaths of Ontario (the College).	
Definitions	Act	Means the <i>Naturopathy Act, 2007</i> .
	Applicant	Means an individual who has made a formal application to the College for a certificate of registration.
	Biomedical Examination	Means a Council approved registration examination in the biomedical sciences which tests candidate knowledge of body systems and their interactions, body functions, dysfunctions and disease states, required to be eligible for registration with the College to practise naturopathy in the province of Ontario.
	Candidate	Means any person who has submitted an examination application or is engaged in any examination or appeal, which leads to the recording and/or issue of a mark, grade or statement of result or performance.
	CANRA	Means the Canadian Alliance of Naturopathic Regulatory Authorities.
	CANRA-QE	Means the Council approved CANRA Qualifying Examinations, consisting of an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) and two written, multiple-choice examinations testing clinical sciences and biomedical knowledge, required to be eligible for registration with the College to practise naturopathy in the province of Ontario.
	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Means the individual appointed by the Council of the College pursuant to section 9(2) of the Code and who performs the duties assigned to the position of Registrar under the RHPA, the Code, the Act and the regulations made thereunder.
	Clinical Exams	Means the Ontario Clinical (Practical) Exams until April 1, 2027, and the CANRA-QE OSCE after April 1, 2027.
	Clinical (Practical) Examinations	Means Council approved clinical practical examinations in Physical Examination/Instrumentation, Acupuncture and Manipulation, required to be eligible for registration with the College to practice naturopathy in the province of Ontario.
	Clinical Sciences Examination	Means a Council approved examination in the clinical sciences which tests a candidate's knowledge of necessary naturopathic competencies for the treatment of patients, required to be eligible for registration with the College to practise naturopathy in the province of Ontario.
	CNME	Means the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education. The North American accrediting agency for naturopathic educational programs
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that is recognized by the College.

Code	Means the Health Professions Procedural Code, which is Schedule 2 to the RHPA.
College	Means the College of Naturopaths of Ontario as established under the Act and governed by the RHPA.
Council	Means the Council of the College as established pursuant to section 6 of the Act.
Examination Accommodation	Means an adjustment to testing conditions, examination requirements or examination scheduling to address a candidate's current needs arising from a disability, a religious requirement, a pregnancy or breastfeeding related need as outlined in the College's Examination Accommodations Policy.
Exam Cancellation	Means a granted withdrawal from an examination session.
Examination Violation	Means a contravention of the College's Examination Rules of Conduct.
Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) program	Means a process used to determine the competency of individuals who do not have formal education from a CNME- accredited program in naturopathy.
Registration Committee	Means the statutory committee of the College responsible for all registration matters referred to it by the CEO. Panels of this statutory committee are responsible for setting plans of exam remediation, and all registration matters as set out in the Code.
Registration Examinations	Means the College's Biomedical and Clinical Sciences Examinations until April 1, 2027, and the CANRA-QE MCQs Part I and II after April 1, 2027.
Registration Regulation	Means Ontario Regulation 84/14.
RHPA	Means the <i>Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991</i> .

General	Guiding Legislation	All aspects of this policy will be managed in accordance with the RHPA, the Act, the Registration Regulation, the College's Examination Policies, and CANRA's Examination Policies.
	Entry-to-Practice Requirement	In accordance with the College's Examination Transition Policy, as of April 1, 2027, all applicants, except for those applicants who have
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been deemed to have satisfied subsection 7(1) of the Registration Regulation (labour mobility), must successfully complete the CANRA-QE.

Effective as of this date, these exams will replace the College's Clinical (Practical) Examinations, the Clinical Sciences Examination and the Biomedical Examination as the registration and clinical examinations, established under s.5(1)(b) and 5(2) of the Registration Regulation, required for entry to practise in Ontario.

CANRA-QE	Eligibility - General	A candidate is eligible to sit the CANRA-QE provided they have successfully completed a CNME-accredited program in naturopathy as required by the Registration Regulation or have been deemed eligible to sit the examinations as part of the PLAR program.
	Eligibility - Acupuncture	In addition to the general eligibility requirements, candidates must have completed at least 220 hours of didactic and at least 30 hours of clinical training in acupuncture and traditional Chinese medicine.
	Order of Completion	In accordance with CANRA's Examination Administration Policy, candidates sitting the CANRA-QE outside of the PLAR program may sit these exams in an order of their choosing. Order of exam completion for PLAR applicants will be managed in accordance with the PLAR Program Policy.
	Exam Accommodation	All requests for accommodation will be managed by the College in accordance with the College's Examination Accommodations Policy.
	Examination Attempts	Candidates are provided three attempts to successfully complete the CANRA-QE. A candidate who has made a second unsuccessful attempt of any of the clinical or registration exams which makes up the CANRA-QE may be required to complete additional education or training, as determined by a panel of the Registration Committee, to qualify to attempt the examination for a third and final time.
	Exam Results	Candidates who have made three unsuccessful attempts of any of the clinical or registration exams that makes up the CANRA-QE must satisfy s.5(5) of the Registration Regulation before being eligible to make any further exam attempt(s). Examination results are valid for a period of two years, as outlined in the College's Examinations Policy.
	Cancellations & Refunds	Requests to cancel one's examination registration and/or seek a refund of the examination fee are handled in accordance with

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CANRA's General Examination Administration Policy.

Exam Appeals	Appeals of an examination, as required by this policy, are handled in accordance with CANRA's Appeal Policy.
Examination Violations	All candidates are required to comply with CANRA's Examination Conduct Policy. Any allegation of an examinations violation will be handled by CANRA in accordance with their policy.
Passing Requirements	Passing requirements for the CANRA-QE are established by CANRA in accordance with their General Examinations Administration Policy.

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