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Intent/Purpose To provide a policy governing matters relating to the transition of the College's registration and clinical examinations to CANRA's Qualifying Examinations for entry to practise in Ontario.

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 examination testing clinical sciences and biomedical knowledge, required to be eligible for registration with the College to practise naturopathy in the province of Ontario.
	Certificate of Registration	Means a document issued by the College, in the General class, emergency class or Inactive class, which demonstrates to the public that the holder is a registrant of the College, registered in the class set out on the certificate and identifies whether there are any terms, conditions or limitations (TCLs) placed on the certificate.
	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 Examinations	Means the College's Clinical (Practical) Examinations.
	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 practise naturopathy in the province of Ontario.

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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.
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.
Deferral	Means a granted postponement of a candidate's attempt at one or more examinations.
Disability	Means that as defined in section 10(1) of the OHRC
Exam Accommodations	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, or a pregnancy or breastfeeding related need, as outlined in the Examination Accommodations Policy.
Examination Materials	Means examination documents in any medium submitted or used by College staff, exam proctors, examiners or agents of the College for scoring or grading purposes.
OHRC	Means the Ontario Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990.
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.
Registration Regulation	Means Ontario Regulation 84/14.
RHPA	Means the <i>Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991</i> .

Policy	Authority	Pursuant to paragraph 1(i)B of section 5(1) of the Registration Regulation, the Council has the authority to approve the registration examinations, and the body that would administer the examinations on its behalf, that a person must successfully complete in order to qualify for registration with the College.
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		Pursuant to paragraph 2 of section 5(1) of the Registration Regulation, the Council has the authority to set or approve the clinical examinations which a person must successfully complete in order to qualify for registration with the College.
	Guiding Legislation	All aspects of this policy will be managed in accordance with the RHPA, the Act, the Registration Regulation, the OHRC and the College's Examinations Policy.
	Guiding Rationale	The transition to CANRA's entry to practise examinations ensures national consistency in assessing naturopathic competencies, reduces duplication for multi-jurisdictional applicants, and supports a streamlined, standardized entry-to-practice process.
Examinations for Entry to Practise	General	The clinical and registration examinations administered by the College for entry to practise in Ontario are: - Clinical examinations - The College's Clinical (Practical) Examinations - Registration examinations - The Clinical Sciences Examination - The Biomedical Examination
	Transition & Recognition	Effective April 1, 2027 the College will cease administration of its clinical and registration examinations. All applicants, except for those applicants who have been deemed to have satisfied subsection 7(1) of the Registration Regulation (labour mobility), must successfully complete the CANRA -QE as set or approved by the Council in order to qualify for registration with the College. All previously issued College examination results, indicating successful completion, shall continue to be recognized in accordance with the validity period of two years, as set out in the Examinations Policy. Candidates who: - have successfully completed some but not all of the clinical and registration examinations by April 1, 2027, and - whose examination results for these successfully completed exams are still considered valid, in accordance with the validity period noted above will be required to complete only the corresponding CANRA- QE that remain(s) outstanding. For clarity purposes, the Ontario Clinical (Practical) Examinations are considered successfully completed only if a candidate has received a passing score on all three of its component examinations.

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Unsuccessful Prior Attempts

A candidate who has attempted the College's clinical and registration examinations, or any part thereof, and was unsuccessful, shall not have such attempts considered as an attempt of the CANRA-QE for the purpose of registering with the College.

As such, a candidate who has made one but not more than two unsuccessful attempts of any of the clinical or registration examinations, shall have the maximum amount of three attempts at the CANRA-QE.

Candidates who have made three unsuccessful attempts of the College's clinical or registration examinations must satisfy s.5(5) of the Registration Regulation before being eligible to attempt the CANRA-QE.

Appeals at Transition

The College will continue to process all appeals received for the College's clinical or registration examinations in accordance with the College's Examination Appeals Policy, with the exception that a granted appeal may result only in a full or partial refund of the examination fee.

Deferrals at Transition

Candidates seeking to defer sitting the final administration of any of the College's clinical or registration examinations will be refunded the examination fee, provided the request and supporting documentation have been received within the timeframe set out in the deferrals section of the Examinations Policy.

Exam Remediation at Transition

Candidates who have made two unsuccessful attempts of any of the clinical or registration examinations at the time of exam transition will be required to undergo a review by the Registration Committee and complete any Committee mandated remediation, in accordance with section 5(4)(b) of the Registration Regulation, before being eligible to attempt the CANRA-QE.

Exam Accommodation at Transition

The College will receive and process requests for exam accommodation for the CANRA-QE, in accordance with the Examination Accommodations Policy.

Candidates who have:

- been granted exam accommodation by the College,
- have not successfully completed the clinical or registration examinations as of April 1, 2027,
- have supporting documentation that is still within the window of validity as set out in the Examination Accommodations Policy; and
- are seeking exam accommodation for the CANRA-QE

will be required to submit a new exam accommodation request with supporting documentation to ensure that exam format differences between the clinical and registration exams and the CANRA-QE can be properly factored into any exam accommodation granted by the College.

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