

Draft bylaws overview

Certification Programs

The new bylaws related to BCCNM Certified Practice:

- Establish certified practice programs for RNs, RPNs and Midwives. These programs for Midwives are currently called “specialized practice”;
- For each certification program established in the bylaws, the board must, via bylaw, make practice standards establishing restricted activities authorized in the *Nursing & Midwifery Regulation*. As well the practice standards established by the board, which will be part of the bylaws, will set any limits or conditions respecting the purpose for which they may perform the activities and the practice settings;
- The registrar has the authority to grant certification;
- The process for the recognition of certified practice courses is by the Education Program Review Committee, as is the withdrawal of certified practice course recognition;
- Decision making for recognition and withdrawal of course recognition can be delegated from the Education Program Review Committee to the registrar, deputy registrar or another officer, employee or agent of the college designated by the registrar or deputy registrar for that purpose.
- A certified licensee is required to provide an annual declaration along with the applicable annual fee to maintain their certified license.