

RHPA Q and A

This document will be updated with new Questions and Answers as we moved toward and into the RHPA.

Q: What does RHPA stand for?

A: RHPA is the Regulated Health Professions Act which was proclaimed Dec 20, 2013. Since that time there have been several amendments.

Q: What other Health Professions are under the RHPA?

A: Dietitians, Licensed Practical Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians.

Q: Will registration numbers change?

A: No, you will keep your registration number.

Q: Will the Association of Registered Nurses of Prince Edward Island stay the same in RHPA?

A: ARNPEI will become a College.

Q: Will there be opportunity to continue Association-type activities or will the activities be purely regulatory?

A: The College will be able to continue some association activities, the details of which will be determined in the coming months. See the following CNA Fact sheet for more information about the Complementary Roles of Nursing Regulatory Bodies and Professional Associations. https://www.cna-aiic.ca/-/media/cna/page-content/pdf-en/cna_ccnr-fact-sheet-on-completmentary-roles.pdf?la=en&hash=1B19EE2FFDED19820B737FE41DC01BA74C671EDE

Q: Should I read the RHPA?

A: Yes, you will find the RHPA document on the Government Website at https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/sites/default/files/legislation/r-10-1-regulated_health_professions_act.pdf

Q: Will I find the new Regulation for Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners on the Government website?

A: Not yet, once the Regulation is in force, there will be a copy on the Government website with the RHPA.

Q: What is a Jurisprudence exam?

A: A jurisprudence exam is used to measure awareness of provincial and regulatory policies and any provincial and federal laws related to nursing practice in this province. Being knowledgeable about legislation and regulatory policies enhances a nurse's or NP's ability to practise safely, ethically and competently – and within legal parameters.