

Student Membership Policy

1. Purpose

The objective of this policy is to describe the SALPN's Student Practical Nurse Membership, its benefits, and requirements.

2. Introduction

The SALPN encourages students enrolled in the Saskatchewan practical nurse education program to register as a member.

To qualify for membership as a student practical nurse, an applicant must:

- Be registered in a practical nurse education program in Saskatchewan,
- Declare whether they have been charged with or convicted of a criminal offence, and
- Meet the English language requirements set by the SALPN Council.

The benefits of student membership include:

- Early engagement with the SALPN and LPN profession through scheduled communications
- Direct contact and communication between the SALPN, students, and practical nurse education program staff
- Engages and educates students about professional regulation, regulatory obligations, standards, and ethics before entering the profession
- Provides a simpler application process for the Canadian Practical Nurse Registration Examination (CPNRE) and Graduate licensure (GLPN).

Although student members may attend the SALPN's Annual General Meeting, they are ineligible to vote.

3. Authority

The Licensed Practical Nurses Act, 2000
SALPN Regulatory Bylaws

4. Procedure

To be considered for student membership, a student enrolled in a recognized practical nurse education program in Saskatchewan must make a formal application to the SALPN. The online application requires students to:

1. Create a SALPN account
2. Upload 2-pieces of government-issued identification
3. Answer declarations on English language proficiency and criminal record or criminal charge history.

As of May 17, 2021, the SALPN waived the \$50 application fee.

5. Review

The SALPN reviews student applications as submitted. If submission questions or concerns arise, the SALPN will contact the student by email or through the Member Portal.

Upon review of all requirements, the SALPN may:

1. Approve the membership
2. Request additional information
3. Deny the membership.

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The SALPN is mandated through the Licensed Practical Nurses Act 2000 to regulate the profession of Practical Nursing according to its Bylaws, Standards of Practice, and Policies in a manner that protects the public from risk and reduce harm to those a profession serves.