

A Message to SALPN from Health Canada and the Public Health Agency of Canada



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As part of our efforts to flatten the curve and respond to COVID-19, we are seeking help from across the country and we believe your members would be well placed to assist.

There is an urgent need for people to help augment capacity at provincial and territorial levels for surveillance and monitoring of COVID-19 cases. More specifically, we need assistance in **detailed case reporting/analysis and contact tracing** to help to quickly identify cases and break chains of transmission by isolating and monitoring close contacts.

We are building an inventory of volunteers from which provincial/territorial governments can draw as needed. Please visit our [recruitment page](#) to submit your name to join us in Canada's response to COVID-19.

[Recruitment Page](#)



SALPN EMERGENCY LICENSURE

Would you consider stepping up to assist during the COVID-19 pandemic or thought about how you could help?

Due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and in the public interest, the SALPN Council has made the important decision to allow Practising licensure to Non-Practicing members on an emergent basis, at no cost.

The emergency bylaw amendments have been approved by the Minister of Health, and the SALPN is prepared to begin processing emergency licensure applications, if and when the need to do arises. You may view the [amended bylaws here](#).

To apply for future emergency licensure, please submit the online form below.

[Emergency License Application](#)

The emergency licensure form is a status change for non-practicing LPN's to practicing.



INDEPENDENT PRACTICE during pandemic

SALPN's recommendation to suspend Independent Practices and non-essential services, based on the orders from the Chief Medical Health Officer (CMHO)

The CMHO, on March 18, ordered the closure of many professional clinics except for urgent and non-elective procedures. The same day saw restrictions place on visitors to healthcare facilities within the Saskatchewan Health Authority. The Government of Saskatchewan and the CMHO have since implemented further measures to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus by limiting the size of gatherings and further restricting businesses that may operate during the provincial state of emergency. It is important to note that orders of the CMHO are enforceable.

The SALPN supports the orders of the CMHO and continues to recommend that LPNs cease offering non-essential and elective services that require physical contact with patients or clients.

Please contact Kari Pruden, LPN, Professional Practice Standards and Ethics Consultant, SALPN at kpruden@salpn.com for support related to your Independent Practice.

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Government Funding for Independent Practitioners

The Saskatchewan Small Business Emergency Payment program provides financial assistance to small businesses in Saskatchewan that have been ordered to temporarily close or significantly curtail operations during the public emergency period due to a public health order to help control transmission of COVID-19 - Click below for more details!



Questions if you're eligible for financial support and more? Click below for more information from the Saskatchewan Government

[Support for Businesses](#)

Business Response Team
Available to assist you
8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday to Friday
Email: supportforbusiness@gov.sk.ca
Toll Free: 1-844-800-8688

1. Saskatchewan Support
2. Federal Support
3. Other Resources



[CEP Learning Resources](#)

For up-to-date information on the COVID-19 Virus, visit the Saskatchewan Government website link below.

[Information on COVID-19](#)

Thank you to our members and all health care providers for your efforts to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. We acknowledge the challenges and recognize that health care providers will encounter risks and demonstrate courage as the demands on the health care system increase



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