

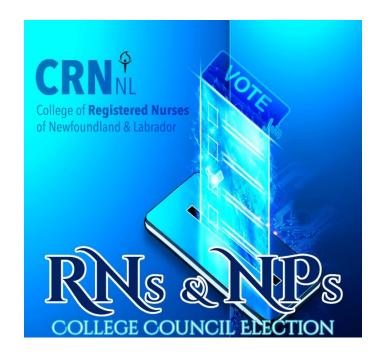
College Council - Election Reminder

VOTE NOW! Even if you have renewed your practicing licence, you still have time!

Check your inbox (or spam folder) for an "Election Reminder" email and cast your electronic ballot ASAP. Meet the candidates by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

The Council of the College of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador is the governing body responsible for setting the strategic direction of the organization and is tasked with ensuring the College of Registered Nurses meets its mandate of public protection. The Council consists of members of the public appointed by Government and registrants elected by the nursing profession. Help shape the future of nursing regulation by voting today! For further information or questions email elections@crnnl.ca.

Voting closes March 31, 2024.



The Following Communications Features Highlights of the College Council's First Meeting of 2024, Held at the College Offices on February 22, 2024.

- Reports Presented to Council
- Updates and Work Ongoing
- News and Topics of Discussion
- Documents Approved

Reports Presented to Council

College Council approved the budget for 2024/25 as presented.

The College routinely approves and reviews the performance of the nursing programs in our province. At this meeting three program reports were reviewed by Council.

- The MScN-NP Program
- BScN Collaborative Program
- IEN Bridging/Re-Entry Program

All programs excelled and met all the conditions for continuance. The MScN-NP Program, based on three years of data scored 89%. Year one data for the BScN Collaborative Program (3 sites) retained a 100% grade. Due to timing of the initial approval of the IEN Bridging/Re-Entry program's review there is no score but continued to meet all requirements on all indicators.

Updates & Work Ongoing

Licensing and Registration provided an update to College Council on the renewal numbers up to that point and detailed the progress of the new registration software, Alinity. As with any implementation of a system of this scale, a slight increase in inquiries was noted but overall, the renewal statistics at that point were deemed to be successful and on par with those of prior years.

Professional Conduct Review outlined trends in discipline and highlighted ongoing initiatives related to professional conduct. Council was provided with information involving trends in regulatory discipline, including the rise in the number of complaints being received from public members while the overall number of complaints received this year remains on par with previous years. In addition, information regarding policy and process revisions as we move to the implementation of the Alinity complaints module was provided.

News & Topics of Discussion

Councilors agreed to the establishment of a working group to explore opportunities where the College could enhance regulatory communications and guidance to Nurse Practitioners in Newfoundland and Labrador.

College Council held a broad discussion on the status of establishing a provincial nursing regulator. Aside from a letter of acknowledgement, no formal communication from Government has been received to date.

Documents Approved

Councilors approved a revised MAID document and the adoption of a Federal Model Practice Standard along with a guidance document that provides advice to health care professionals to support a consistent approach to MAID practice across Canada. A key change for NP practice with the approval of these documents is that NPs can now raise MAID with a client if certain criteria are met. For more information click <u>HERE</u>.

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THE COLLEGE CONNECTION PODCAST

In addition to our social media channels, the College is proud to offer registrants educational events via our newest initiative, **The College Connection Podcast**. All our episodes are eligible for CCP and can be listened to 24/7 on <u>Spotify</u>, <u>Acast</u>, <u>Apple</u>, or wherever you get your podcasts and episodes can be viewed 24/7 by visiting our <u>YouTube</u> channel.

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