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BACKGROUND

In compliance with the Paramedic Regulations 6(3), 19(3), and 30(3), a registrant on the provisional register for Primary Care Paramedic, Advanced Care Paramedic, or Critical Care Paramedic shall be supervised in practicing paramedicine by a paramedic with general registration, approved by the Council.

PURPOSE

This policy provides the definition, expectations, and requirements for supervised practice for all provisional registrants practicing paramedicine in PEI.

POLICY & PROCESS

- 1. A provisional registrant on the Primary Care Paramedic (PCP), Advanced Care Paramedic (ACP), or Critical Care Paramedic (CCP) sub-register shall be supervised in practicing paramedicine by a paramedic with general registration, approved by the Council, in accordance with the applicable section of the *Paramedic Regulations*, *6*(*3*), *19*(*3*), *or 30*(*3*).
- The registrant who agrees to provide supervision (the "supervising registrant") shall be registered in the general registration part of the same or higher sub-register as the provisional registrant (e.g., a Provisional PCP registrant can be supervised by a general registrant on any sub-register, whereas a Provisional CCP registrant can only be supervised by a general registrant on the CCP sub-register).
- 3. The supervising registrant shall have a minimum of one (1) year practice experience at the sub-register required in (2) in Prince Edward Island.
- 4. The supervising registrant shall have a minimum of one (1) year practice experience working in the same practice environment, or equivalent practice environment, where the supervision is occurring (e.g., emergency ambulance services, community/home care, emergency department/acute care, etc.).
- 5. The supervising registrant shall be in good standing with CPPEI, including no ongoing complaints, practice investigations, or conditions imposed on their registration.
- 6. For the purpose of the *Regulations*, which states that a paramedic with provisional registration shall be supervised in practicing paramedicine by a paramedic with general registration



"approved by the Council", if the supervising paramedic meets the requirements described in 2 - 5, they are considered acceptable to Council.

- 7. The supervising registrant shall provide a level of supervision appropriate to the skills and abilities of the provisional registrant and the risk of harm to the patient (i.e., direct versus indirect supervision) and shall be available to the provisional registrant to enable adequate supervision, mentorship, oversight, consultation, and/or intervention if requested or required.
- 8. Notwithstanding the requirements for performing reserved activities in (9), it is understood that it may not be feasible nor practical for the supervising registrant to be physically present oneon-one with the provisional registrant at all times, especially in the prehospital practice environment. During any episodes of physical separation between the supervising registrant and the provisional registrant, if deemed appropriate by the supervising registrant, there must be a method of communication (e.g., visual, voice, radio, phone) established so the supervising registrant can be recalled immediately to render assistance if requested.
- 9. Prior to performing a reserved activity by a provisional registrant, as authorized in the *Regulations*, the following conditions must be met:
 - a. The supervising registrant must be satisfied the provisional registrant has the required level of knowledge, training, and skill required to perform the reserved activity;
 - b. The supervising registrant must be authorized to perform the reserved activity without supervision;
 - c. The supervising registrant must be competent in the reserved activity; and
 - d. The supervising registrant must be physically present and remain immediately available for oversight, consultation, and/or intervention during the reserved activity.

Policy Revision History	
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