

FACT SHEET – Licensure Requirement for LPNs Providing Virtual Health Care Services¹

The College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador (CLPNNL) is the regulatory (licensing) body for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Each person practicing as an LPN, or holding themselves out as an LPN, in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador is required to hold a license to practice with the CLPNNL, as per the Licensed Practical Nurses Act, 2005.

- When the LPN is located² in this province, regardless of where their client is located, CLPNNL requires that LPN to hold a license with CLPNNL.
- When the LPN is located outside of Newfoundland and Labrador, but is providing Virtual Health Care Services to residents of Newfoundland and Labrador, CLPNNL does not currently require the LPN to hold a license in this province.
- CLPNNL advises LPNs to identify to their client where they are licensed and where/how to validate the LPN licensure status.
- CLPNNL advises LPNs who hold a license with CLPNNL and who provide care to clients outside of Newfoundland and Labrador to consult the nursing regulator in the province/territory where the client is located to validate compliance with licensing requirements in that jurisdiction.

Questions related to licensure and licensure requirements can be directed to CLPNNL at 709-579-3843.

¹ Virtual Health Care Services includes the use of telecommunications technology, video conferencing, on-line messaging, to deliver health care services at a distance.

² Located means that the LPN is physically situated in Newfoundland and Labrador, regardless of where their employer, their office, or client is located.