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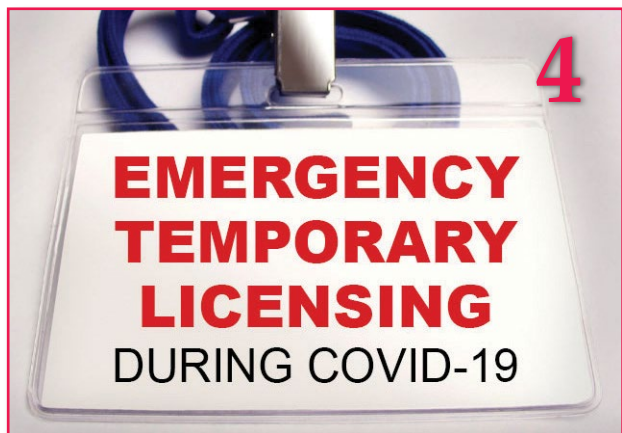
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MANDATE

The mandate of the CLPNNL is to promote safety and protection of the general public through the provision of safe, competent, compassionate, and ethical nursing care.

VISION

Excellence in regulating licensed practical nurses.

VALUES

Collaboration	Partner with others to protect the public
Excellence	Commit to the highest standard of nursing care
Accountability	Be responsible for what we do and don't do
Fairness	Treat others with respect and without bias
Innovation	Create positive outcomes

MISSION

Protect the public by actively promoting safe, competent, and ethical nursing care.



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MESSAGE FROM THE CEO/REGISTRAR

It is likely that many of us have never practiced in circumstances like this. On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 to be a pandemic. Effective March 18, 2020, the NL Minister of Health and Community Services declared COVID-19 a public health emergency under the Public Health Protection and Promotion Act, and that order continues to be extended. These are challenging times for health care workers on the front lines of COVID-19 as we balance both our personal and professional obligations.

May 11-17, 2020 is National Nursing Week in Canada. This year, the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) has selected the theme: Nurses: A voice to lead - Nursing the world to health. Claire Betker, CNA President stated, "National Nursing Week is a great opportunity to recognize the leadership role of all regulated nurses in Canada." The World Health Organization has declared 2020 the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife, recognizing the impact that nurses and midwives have



Wanda Wadman, Chief Executive Officer/Registrar

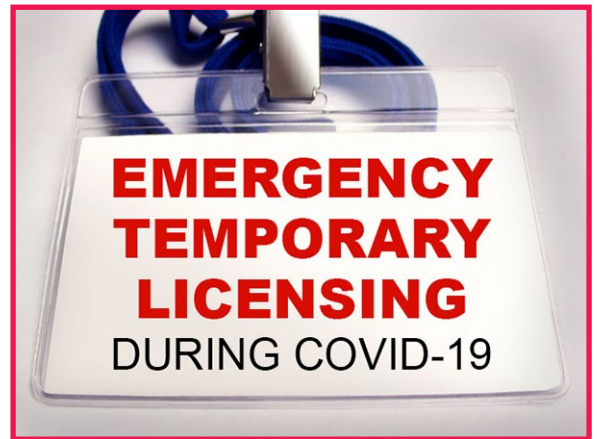
on global health. LPNs have long been strong members of the health care team, and that role has never been more important than it is now. I want to thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of the people of Newfoundland and Labrador. Through the challenges that COVID-19 have presented in your practice and in your personal life, I hope you find time to reflect on, to recognize, and to celebrate the important role you play in health and health care.

In this abbreviated edition of PRACTICE you will see some of the activities that CLPNNL has initiated in response to COVID-19 such as a process to provide an emergency temporary license and a series of frequently asked questions. As we move forward through this public health emergency, and while CLPNNL office is closed to the public, we remain available and connected. All staff have e-mail connection and our office phones are checked throughout regular workdays. If you leave a message, we will get back to you. Reach out if you have questions. Consult the CLPNNL website for information and updates.

Again, thank you. We appreciate your continued commitment to safe, competent, compassionate and ethical care. And, Happy Nursing Week!

EMERGENCY TEMPORARY LICENSE IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 FOR LPNs NOT CURRENTLY IN PRACTICE

An emergency temporary license is available for practical nurses who wish to return to nursing practice during the COVID-19 pandemic. The emergency temporary license is only for the purpose of returning to practice to assist in response to COVID-19 and is not for those who intend to obtain ongoing employment in NL. The emergency temporary license is for 3 months with the possibility of extension. More information on the emergency temporary license can be found on the [CLPNNL website](#).



CLPNNL's Annual General Meeting - Save the Date!

The College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador (CLPNNL) will be holding the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on June 18, 2020 at 3:00 pm.

Traditionally, CLPNNL's AGM has been held in person. However, this year CLPNNL is changing to a virtual platform. A virtual AGM will provide the opportunity to connect with LPNs, key stakeholders and members of the public throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

Advance registration is required. Registration will open at least two weeks prior to the event. To register, visit the CLPNNL website and click on the **EVENTS** tab on the homepage. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email. The day before the event, you will receive a second email with your log in information.

Questions regarding the AGM registration can be forwarded to Desiree Evans at devans@clpnnl.ca or by calling 709-579-3843 ext. 201.



NATIONAL NURSING WEEK - MAY 11-17, 2020 AND THE YEAR OF THE NURSE AND THE MIDWIFE - 2020

“Nurses: A Voice to Lead – Nursing the World to Health”.

This theme for *National Nursing Week* 2020 was developed by the International Council of Nurses (ICN) to showcase how nurses are central to addressing a wide range of health challenges. “*National Nursing Week is a great opportunity to recognize the leadership role of all regulated nurses in Canada*” says Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) president, Claire Betker. For more information on National Nursing Week in Canada, please visit the [CNA website](#).

2020 is also *The Year of the Nurse and the Midwife* as designated by the World Health Organization (WHO) in honour of the 200th anniversary of Florence Nightingale’s birth. To learn more about the global impact of nursing, visit the [WHO](#).

Florence Nightingale (known to many as “The Lady with the Lamp”) was born in Florence Italy on May 12, 1820. She devoted her life to the sick and suffering. She volunteered for duty in the Crimean War and while working at the hospital she drastically reduced the mortality rate by imposing strict discipline and high standards of sanitation. Florence founded the St. Thomas’s Hospital and also the Nightingale Training School for Nurses in London England in 1860. Read more on the history of Florence Nightingale on [History.com](#).



As regulated nursing professionals, LPNs play an important role in providing safe, competent, compassionate, and ethical care to members of the public. LPNs practice accountability and responsibility in the services they provide. LPN standards encourage leadership through self-awareness and reflection, commitment to individual and professional growth, and promotion of the best possible service to the public.

CLPNNL would like to take this opportunity to recognize the approximately 2400 LPNs in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador who provide care, directly and indirectly, in the interest of the public.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all nurses (Licensed Practical Nurses, Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners) a Happy Nursing Week 2020.



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COVID-19 FAQs for LPNs

CLPNNL has prepared a number of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) that you will find by visiting the practice and policy section on our website ([CLPNNL Practice and Policy](#)).

- I am a self-employed LPN and I provide care in a client's home. Can I continue to do this during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency?
- I am concerned about the wellbeing of my patients as well as my family. How do I balance those obligations?
- Where do I go to find the most current and reliable information during COVID-19?
- Due to COVID-19 I am being told I must float to an area I am not familiar with and have not practiced in before. What should I consider?
- What do I do if I am concerned about available personal protective equipment (PPE)?
- I have taken a temporary license in response to COVID-19 and will be returning to practice. How will I know what I can and cannot do?
- How do I obtain a license to practice to assist during COVID-19?
- I am obtaining a temporary license to assist during COVID-19, but where do I go to obtain employment?

When seeking information on COVID-19, ensure that you have the most reliable and up to date information. The CLPNNL website (www.clpnnl.ca) provides links to several important sources, such as provincial and federal governments and other organizations.

REMINDER: KEEP YOUR INFORMATION UP-TO-DATE!

Under the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador By-laws (2014) Section 34 - Accuracy of Personal Information, all LPNs are required to keep their information on file with CLPNNL up-to-date. This includes:

- Name change
(copy of legal documentation required)
- Mailing address
- Email address
- Employment information
- Phone numbers

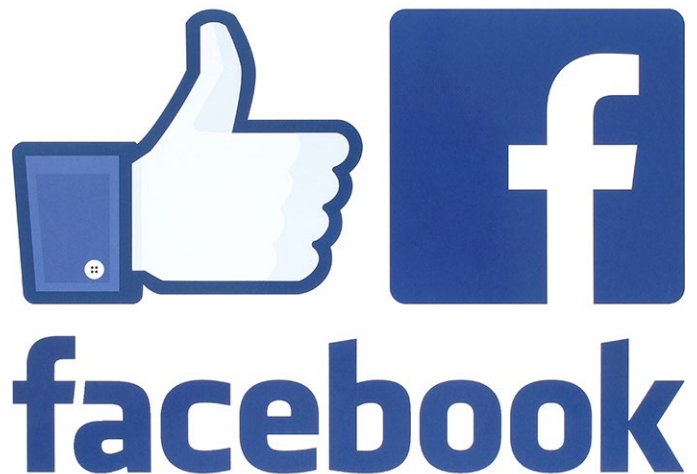


If any of the above information has recently changed, please contact the CLPNNL by phone (709-579-3843) or email (info@clpnnl.ca) to update your file.

ARE YOU CONNECTED WITH CLPNNL?

As regulated professionals, it is important for LPNs to stay connected with their regulatory body.

The CLPNNL website, www.clpnnl.ca, has many resources to assist LPNs with their practice. The website also provides information on continuing education. There, LPNs will find resources to help with both formal and informal learning.



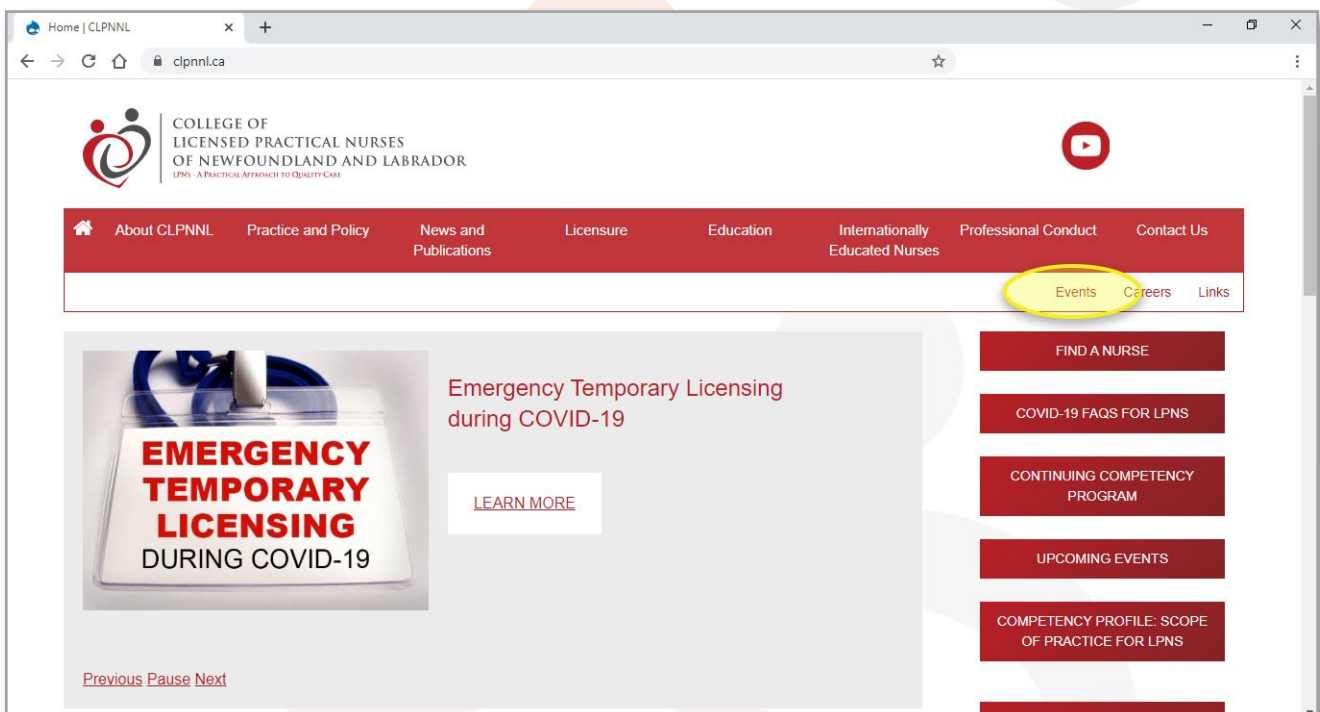
CLPNNL also has a social media platform – **Facebook**. It is a great way to stay connected to your regulatory body and to keep up with what's new and upcoming. Be sure to follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/CollegeLPNNL/> or search College LPNNL.

Update on Webinar Information...

CLPNNL would like to advise that, for the time being, we will be pausing the educational sessions that we offer. Although we are not providing webinars right now, we know your learning has not stopped. For example, practice during COVID-19 requires that we expand our knowledge, seek out new best practices and keep abreast of emerging science. This continued learning can be used for your CCP. Remember to keep a record of your learnings for your CCP portfolio.

NEW: CLPNNL has developed an online registration process for webinars and other events such as the Annual General Meeting. To register for events click on our “Events” tab at the top of the CLPNNL home page (www.clpnnl.ca), select the event you wish to attend, and follow the directions for registering (input your name, email, etc.).

Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation email. The day prior to the event, you will receive a second email with the link for joining. Once the event is over, you will receive an email invitation to complete an event evaluation. Submit the evaluation to receive your certificate of attendance.



THE CONTINUING COMPETENCY PROGRAM (CCP) UPDATE

CLPNNL has temporarily postponed the annual CCP audit for the 2019-20 licensing year. The CCP audit will take place in the fall of 2020. Keep your 2019-20 CCP documents in the event that you are selected for the CCP Audit.



CCP 2020-2021

The beginning of a new licensure year is a good time to print your [CCP toolkit](#), complete your self-assessment, and create your new learning plan. Looking for learning opportunities? Check out the education tab on the CLPNNL website, and the COVID-19 information links on our homepage.

CHOOSING WISELY NL - QUALITY OF CARE NL

Quality of Care NL is a collaborative effort between the leading health care entities in Newfoundland and Labrador. Our goal is to improve the quality of care in NL by facilitating change to ensure the **right treatment**, gets to the **right patient**, at the **right time**. Our partnership with Choosing Wisely Canada enables the promotion of established national guidelines and recommendations that cross all disciplines to support the reduction of low-value health care, including, unnecessary tests and treatments, particularly where harms outweigh benefits.

Quality of Care NL's extensive online resource library provides tools and resources targeted at clinicians, nurses, other health care providers and patients on a range of topics. Visit us online at www.qualityofcarenl.ca/resources to view our resources on topics such as antibiotic overuse, drug utilization, acute care, and more.

In the wake of this global pandemic, Quality of Care NL has compiled an online library of local and national resources and information relating to COVID-19. The simple list of URLs helps direct health care workers, researchers and stakeholders to relevant information and guidelines being shared by government, professional associations and other organizations. View online at <https://qualityofcarenl.ca/covid-19-information-resources/>.

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