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*News from the CNPBC*



**November 2021**

## **Notice of Annual Registration Renewal for 2022**

Hello Registrants. Another year has come and gone, and we find ourselves still navigating the challenges of COVID-19. While we do now have vaccines, the expectation on the part of public health officials is that COVID will be a factor in all our lives for some time. The College continues to appreciate the efforts made by everyone working to deliver safe and effective care to patients.

It's time again to renew your registration for 2022. Under section 56 of the College's Bylaws, both practising and non-practising registrants must pay their renewal and certification fees by January 1, 2022. This can be easily done online.

As noted earlier, a 5% fee increase will apply to the registration year beginning January 1, 2022, the first increase since 2017.

Full practising	\$1,900
Non-practising	\$1,900

Additionally, certification fees for 2022 have been aligned so that initial and renewal fees are the same. Certification fees are listed in [Schedule "C" of the College's Bylaws](#) and they apply to each certification held by a registrant.

### **Non-practising registrants**

Non-practising registrants, and registrants intending to change their class to non-practising during renewal, who are not practising naturopathic medicine because they are on medical / disability leave, retired, or on parental leave, may apply to be exempt from the non-

practising renewal fee.

The application form for a non-practising fees exemption can be found on the [Registrant Online Self-Service \(ROSS\) website](#) under the “Forms & Resources” area in the “Registration” folder. Non-practising registrants who were approved for the fee exemption last year will have to reapply for the fee exemption this year. The deadline to submit the non-practising fees exemption form is December 15, 2021.

### **How to renew**

The [Registrant Online Self-Service \(ROSS\) website](#) is available for registration renewal starting November 15, 2021. There is no paper application for registration renewal. If you cannot submit your payment online using a credit card (Visa or Mastercard only), the College will accept a certified cheque or bank draft.

If you are having difficulty with the website, please try updating your browser to its most current version. If you have forgotten your password or the answer to your security question, just click on the “Forgot Password” button on the sign-in page. Please note that your password and the answers to your security questions are case-sensitive.

### **Consequences of failure to pay registration renewal fees by the January 1, 2022 deadline**

Failure to complete the renewal process by January 1, 2022 will result in the immediate cancellation of license, pursuant to section 21(3)(b) of the *Health Professions Act* and section 56(11) of the Bylaws. If your license is cancelled, you must:

1. stop practising naturopathic medicine until you have been granted reinstatement at the discretion of the Registration Committee; and
2. apply for reinstatement according to sections 58 and 60 of the Bylaws, as applicable.

### **Consequences of failure to pay certification renewal fees by the January 1, 2022 deadline**

If certification renewal fees are not paid by January 1, 2022, you will be required to:

1. stop practising the corresponding aspect of practice for the certification(s); and
2. apply to reinstate the certification(s) and pay the required fees before resuming the corresponding aspect of practice.

### **Renew your Health Profession Corporation (HPC) permit online**

The [HPC Permit Renewal process](#) has moved online and is included in the registration renewal process. The HPC annual renewal fee is \$263, and payment will be added to your invoice at the end of the process.

A corporation must not provide naturopathic medical services to the public unless it holds a health profession corporation permit from the College. Current valid HPC permits expire on December 31, 2021. For more information about HPCs, visit the [College's website](#).

### **Continuing education (CE) deadline**

The current CE period is January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021. Registrants are required to submit their CE information by January 1, 2022.

### **Changing your registration class**

If you change your registration from full-practising class to non-practising during the renewal process, there will be a \$25 administration fee. If you are applying for a non-practising fee exemption, please submit the form and await approval prior to completing your registration renewal.



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### **Career Opportunity**

CNPBC is looking for dynamic and experienced Naturopathic Physician to fill the exciting new role of Regulatory Practice Consultant. Excellent communication skills and interpersonal skills are required. The Regulatory Practice Consultant will promote the standards of practice and advise registrants and others about professional practice issues focusing on protection of the public. Click [here](#) for the Job Description. If the prospect of working at the College piques your interest, please send a cover letter, along with your resume to [Office@cnpsc.bc.ca](mailto:Office@cnpsc.bc.ca)

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### **Reminder About Ivermectin**

Ivermectin is not within the scope of practice or prescribing authority of Naturopathic Doctors. It is potentially dangerous and not recommended for treatment of Covid-19. Please read and follow the [Health Canada Public Advisory](#) regarding this topic.

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## A Note From the Registrar

Once again, the College thanks you for your support over these past months as we work to fulfill our mandate to protect the public.

*Stay safe everyone!*

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