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## **Naturopathic Doctors Entry-to-Practice Competencies Survey**

As you may be aware, the College of Naturopathic Physicians of BC is working closely with the Canadian Alliance of Naturopathic Regulatory Authorities (CANRA) to develop national competencies and a clinical practical examination to be delivered across the country.

The draft Competency Profile has been developed by subject matter experts representing the profession from across Canada. A uniform nationwide examination will ensure that all naturopaths have met the exact same standards at entry-to-practice: standards which ensure all naturopaths have the knowledge, skills, and judgement to practice safely, competently, and ethically.

We are now at the stage of the project where we are asking all registered NDs across Canada to validate the draft Entry-to-Practice Competencies. The survey should take approximately 30-45 minutes to complete and can be done over several shorter sessions if your time is limited. Your responses are strictly confidential and anonymous and will be used for analysis and validation purposes only.

- [Click here](#) to access the entire set of draft competencies.
- [Click here](#) to start the survey immediately.

The closing date for the survey is **November 22, 2023**.

Thank you for providing your input and expertise to this important endeavor that contributes to safe naturopathic care across Canada.



### **Cervix Screening in BC: Transitioning from Cytology (Pap Test) to HPV Primary Screening**

In January 2024, cervix screening in BC will start to transition from cytology (Pap test) to HPV testing as the primary screening method. BC Cancer Cervix Screening Program is providing the following new resources, including a webinar, to help inform practitioners of this change:

- Review and share the [Update Bulletin](#), which includes a brief summary of the changes and steps you can start to take to prepare.
- Register for the webinar on November 27th, [Cervix Screening in BC: Preparing for the Transition from Cytology \(Pap Test\) to HPV Primary Screening](#), a collaboration with the University of British Columbia Continuing Professional Development.

- Bookmark the [HPV Screening Transition](#) webpage for the latest resources.

Stay tuned for more information! If you would like to sign up for email updates, contact Melissa Yan at BC Cancer ([Melissa.Yan@bccancer.bc.ca](mailto:Melissa.Yan@bccancer.bc.ca)).

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