



Practice Standard: Certifications

Applies to Naturopathic Physicians

The College of Complementary Health Professionals of BC was created on June 28, 2024 through the amalgamation of four health regulatory colleges:

- College of Chiropractors of BC
- College of Massage Therapists of BC
- College of Naturopathic Physicians of BC
- College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of BC

All current requirements for standards of clinical and ethical practice issued by the four colleges remain in place upon amalgamation.

This document was created by the College of Naturopathic Physicians of BC and will be updated to reflect the amalgamation.



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Practice Standards set out requirements for specific aspects of a naturopathic doctors' practice. They link with other standards, policies, and bylaws of the College of Naturopathic Physicians of BC, and all legislation relevant to the practice of naturopathic medicine.

Introduction

This standard sets out the requirements and restrictions that apply to CNPBC certifications.

Definitions

Certification: A certification is a notation in the registry, used by the College to permit full registrants to perform restricted activities under the *Naturopathic Physician Regulation*.

Certification area: a specified service or group of services that are restricted to those registrants who have been granted a specified certification.

Delegation: a process by which a health care professional who has legislative authority to perform a restricted activity transfers that authority to an unauthorized person. Delegation is not permitted.

Restricted Activity: Restricted Activities are higher risk clinical activities that must only be performed by members of a regulated profession that has been granted specific legislative authority to carry out that restricted activity.

Standards

1. Registrants must not practice in a certification area, unless they have been granted certification based on education and competencies.
2. A naturopathic physician who is duly qualified and licensed by the CNPBC may be certified to practice in a certification area provided they have successfully completed all of the requirements listed in the associated schedules.

- a. Registrants must apply to the college within 24 months of completing the approved training portion of the certification requirements.
3. Certifications allow a registrant to practice in the certification area as defined in the scope section of the associated schedule.
4. Registrants are not permitted to delegate any restricted activities, to any other person. It is professional misconduct to delegate any restricted activity, including those in certification areas.
5. Prior to engaging in the provision of services in certification areas, registrants must:
 - a. receive and review correspondence from the college confirming the granting of the relevant certification
 - b. confirm the relevant certification is listed in the public registry.

References

- [Health Professions Act](#)
- [CNPBC Bylaws](#)
- [Naturopathic Physicians Regulation](#)
- [CNPBC Standards of Practices](#)
- [CNPBC Restricted Activities for Naturopathic Physicians: Limits and Conditions](#)

Disclaimer

In the event of any inconsistency between this standard and any legislation that governs the practice of naturopathic doctors, the legislation shall govern.

Schedule A – Acupuncture Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **Acupuncture**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the College Bylaws;
2. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
3. Provide Evidence of the completion of a Naturopathic Medical/Traditional Chinese Medicine Acupuncture program that includes a minimum of 50 hours of supervised clinical training by a licensed acupuncturist or practitioner authorized by the College; and evidence of a minimum of 200 hours of study in Traditional Oriental Medicine, which must include:
 - Syndrome differentiation and formulation of point prescriptions;
 - Traditional acupuncture anatomy, physiology and pathology; and
 - Acupuncture and Moxibustion techniques and point location.

OR

A naturopathic physician licensed in another province of Canada or another country who is qualified to practice in BC and is certified to practice acupuncture elsewhere, may automatically be granted certification to practice acupuncture in BC upon review of their records by the Quality Assurance Committee.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College’s CE Requirements (see Category “E”); and
2. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
3. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in **Acupuncture** allows NDs to utilize acupuncture needles for a therapeutic benefit.

Schedule B – Advanced Injections Part A & B Certifications

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **Advanced Injection Therapies Part A or Part B**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the College Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority.
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training program for the corresponding certification
5. Registrants applying for **Advanced Injection Therapies Part B** must hold certification in **Advanced Injection Therapies Part A**.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in **Prescriptive Authority**; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- **Advanced Injection Therapies – Part A** certification allows registrants to perform prolotherapy and related injections into the area of peripheral joints including the toes, ankles, knees, hips, fingers, wrist, elbow and shoulder.
- **Advanced Injection Therapies – Part B** certification allows registrants to perform prolotherapy and related advanced injections on the axial skeleton including the cervical, thoracic, lumbar, lumbar-sacral, sacro-iliac, intercostal, and rib.

- Registrants who hold certification in **Advanced Injection Therapy – Part B** have met the requirements for certification in **Advanced Injection Therapy – Part A** and are not required to hold both certifications.
- Registrants who hold certification in **Advance Injections Therapies – Part A or B**, are authorized to use prolotherapy, platelet rich plasma (PRP) solutions, viscosupplement solutions (such as hyaluronic acid, synvisc and hylgan), corticosteroids, or any other solutions or therapies approved by the College.
- Devices used for these procedures must have an active medical device licence from Health Canada (search [Health Canada’s Medical Devices Active Licence Listing](#) by “Device name”).
- The administration of prolozone requires certification in both **Ozone & Oxidative Therapies** and **Advanced Injection Therapies (Part A or Part B)**, as appropriate).
- Other procedures that involve injections, including aesthetic procedures (cosmetic botulinum toxin, injectable fillers, and PRP injections to the face and other skin areas for aesthetic purposes), require certification in those specified aspects of practice.
- **Registrants must NOT perform intra-vaginal injections and intra-cavernous injections.**
- **Stromal Vascular Fraction injections, bone marrow injections and related injections are NOT currently within the scope of practice.**
- **Stellate ganglion blocks may NOT be performed by any registrants.**

Schedule C – Cosmetic Botulinum Toxin Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **Cosmetic Botulinum Toxin**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in **Prescriptive Authority**;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training program for this certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in **Prescriptive Authority**; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in **Cosmetic Botulinum Toxin** authorizes a registrant to perform injections of prescription botulinum toxin into **facial muscles** for an aesthetic purpose.
- Registrants must only use botulinum toxin substances that are approved by Health Canada and are included in the pharmacopeia of naturopathic physicians with **Prescriptive Authority**.
- Injections of botulinum toxin for a therapeutic purpose, such as for TMJ syndrome, headaches/migraines, and hyperhidrosis, is not included in the scope of this certification. It requires separate certification in **Botulinum Toxin Medical/Non-Aesthetic**.)

Schedule D– Injectable Fillers Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **Injectable Fillers**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in **Prescriptive Authority**;
3. Possess a current qualification in Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS) and BLS (HCP) / CPR-HCP; and
5. Have completed a CNPBC approved training program for this certification.

Provisional Level 1

To apply for **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 1** certification, registrants must:

1. Hold Certification in **Cosmetic Botulinum Toxin**;
2. Complete six months of clinical practice using neuromodulators;
3. Provide 100 patient records demonstrating neuromodulator treatments (using the Records Form)

The above 3 requirements must be met before completing the following:

4. Complete a CNPBC approved Level 1 Injectable Filler certification course

Level 1

Once granted the **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 1** certification, registrants can work towards their **Injectable Fillers - Level 1** certification. To apply for **Injectable Fillers Level 1** registrants must complete the following requirements:

1. Two years of clinical practice with hyaluronic acid injectable fillers in the level 1 areas only, all other areas are restricted;
2. Provide 100 patient records demonstrating treatments with Health Canada approved hyaluronic acid injectable fillers in the above areas in separate clinical visits (using the Records Form);
3. A yearly peer review by a registrant certified in the same level or higher; and
4. Complete the prescribed safety course every two years from the date of being granted **Provisional Level 1 Injectable Filler** certification.

Registrants must provide the CNPBC with documented evidence of meeting all the above requirements to apply for **Injectable Fillers – Level 1** certification.

Provisional Level 2

To apply for **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 2** certification, registrants must:

1. Have met all the level 1 requirements;
2. Complete a CNPBC approved Level 2 Injectable Filler certification course.

Level 2

Once granted the **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 2** certification, registrants can work towards their **Injectable Fillers - Level 2** certification. To apply for Level 2, registrants must complete the following requirements once granted:

1. Two years of clinical practice with all types of injectable fillers in level 2 areas;
2. Provide 100 patient records demonstrating treatments with Health Canada approved injectable filler in the level 2 areas in separate clinical visits (using the Records Form);
3. Yearly peer review by a registrant certified in the same level or higher; and
4. Complete the prescribed safety course every two years from the date of being granted **Provisional Level 2 Injectable Filler** certification.

Registrants must provide the CNPBC with documented evidence of meeting all of the above requirements to apply for **Injectable Fillers – Level 2 certification**.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification (all levels), you must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in **Prescriptive Authority**; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

In addition to the above, provisional certification holders must complete:

1. A yearly peer review by a registrant certified in the same level or higher; and
2. A prescribed safety course every two years from the date of being granted certification.

Scope:

- Certification in **Injectable Fillers** authorizes a registrant to perform injections of Health Canada approved injectable fillers for an aesthetic purpose based on the level of certification.
- **Provisional Level 1 and Level 1**
 - **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 1** certification or the **Injectable Fillers – Level 1** certification allows registrants to inject fillers into the lips, cheeks, chin, marionettes, nasal folds (with cannula only) and jawline. **All other areas are restricted.**
 - Registrants in these levels can be restricted to use Health Canada only approved hyaluronic acid injectable fillers and products used to modify or manage their effects, including hyaluronidase.
- **Provisional Level 2 and Level 2**
 - **Injectable Fillers – Provisional Level 2** certification or the **Injectable Fillers – Level 2** certification allows registrants to inject fillers into areas covered by Level 1 (see above) in addition to the glabella, forehead, nose (bridge, tip and nasolabial junction), pyriform, nasal folds (with needle), tear troughs, eyelids, temples and body.
 - Registrants can use any Health Canada approved injectable fillers (Hyaluronic acid, biostimulators, and threads) and products used to modify or manage their effects, including hyaluronidase.
- Registrants are prohibited from administering injectable fillers and products used to modify or manage their effects, including hyaluronidase, into any area other than those identified at their certification level. However, emergency use of hyaluronidase is not restricted to any area when performed by any ND with competency.
- Registrants must hold **Injectable Fillers Provisional Level 2 or Level 2** with additional education (as defined in the [CNPBC Restricted Activities for Naturopathic Physicians: Limits and Conditions](#)) in threads prior to utilizing threads.
- Registrants must hold CNPBC certification in **PRP for Aesthetics purposes, Injectable Filler** and **Prescriptive Authority** and current qualifications in Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS) prior

to administering Plasma Gel/Platelet Rich Fibrin treatments. Registrants are subject to the restriction in treatment areas determined by their **Injectable Filler** certification level.

- It is prohibited to administer injectable fillers into the genitalia.

Schedule E – PRP Injections to the Face and Other Skin Areas for Aesthetic Purposes Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **PRP injections to the face and other skin areas for aesthetic purposes**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in **Prescriptive Authority**;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training course for this certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, you must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in **Prescriptive Authority**; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in **PRP injections to the face and other skin areas for aesthetic purposes** authorizes a registrant to perform injections of platelet rich plasma (PRP) immediately below the dermis of the face, neck, scalp, and hands for aesthetic purposes. This certification does not authorize registrants to perform injections of PRP in other areas or for other purposes.
- Devices used for these procedures must have an active medical device license from Health Canada (search Health Canada's Medical Devices Active License Listing by "Device name").
- Injection of PRP for a therapeutic purpose, such as in a prolotherapy context, including injections in joints, ligaments, and tendons, requires certification in **Advanced Injection Therapies Part A or B**.

- Registrants must hold CNPBC certification in **PRP for Aesthetics purposes, Injectable Filler** and **Prescriptive Authority** and current qualifications in Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS) prior to administering Plasma Gel/Platelet Rich Fibrin treatments. Registrants are subject to the restriction in treatment areas determined by their **Injectable Filler** certification level.

Schedule F – Botulinum Toxin Medical/Non-Aesthetic Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in **Botulinum Toxin: Medical/Non-Aesthetic**, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in **Prescriptive Authority**;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and

Have completed a CNPBC approved training course for this certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in Prescriptive Authority; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in botulinum toxin: medical/non-aesthetic authorizes a registrant to perform injections of botulinum toxin for medical/non-aesthetic purposes, including temporomandibular joint (TMJ) syndrome, headaches, migraines, and hyperhidrosis.
- While registrants are permitted to treat a variety of areas, they must ensure that they are appropriately trained and competent to perform injections prior to initiating any treatment.
- Registrants must only use botulinum toxin substances that are approved by Health Canada and are included in the pharmacopeia of naturopathic physicians with Prescriptive Authority.
- Registrants are prohibited from injecting intra-ocular muscles.

Schedule G – Immunization Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in immunization, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training course for this certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in Prescriptive Authority; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in Immunization authorizes a registrant to prescribe and administer vaccines
- Registrants must hold certification in Immunization and Prescriptive Authority prior to prescribing or administering vaccines.
- Registrants must follow decision support tools established by the BC Centre for Disease Control when administering vaccines.
- Naturopathic physicians only compound, dispense, or administer immunoprophylactic agents identified by the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC).
- Registrants must not administer an immunization to a child under five (5) years old.

Schedule H – Intrauterine Device (IUD) insertion & Removal Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in Intrauterine Device (IUD) Insertion & Removal Certification, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS);
4. Have a minimum of three (3) years clinical experience;
5. Have satisfied one of CNPBC approved theory training options for this certification.
6. Have satisfied one of the CNPBC approved practical training options for this certification and
7. Have completed and provided the IUD Checklist and the IUD Competency forms to the College.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, you must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED;
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
3. maintain certification in Prescriptive Authority; and
4. perform a minimum of 12 IUD insertions annually. These 12 annual insertions can be included as part of the 50 treatments used for the Category E currency model. (see Category "E");
5. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in Intrauterine Device (IUD) Insertions and Removals authorizes a registrant to insert and remove intrauterine devices.
- Certification in Intrauterine Device (IUD) Insertions and Removals permits registrants to perform a paracervical block using local anesthetic as consistent with best practices for insertion and removal of an IUD, notwithstanding the prohibition of intravaginal injections by registrants.

Schedule I– IV Therapy and IV & Chelation Therapies Certifications

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in IV Therapy, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training course for the corresponding certification.

In order to apply for certification in IV & Chelation Therapy, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority;
3. Be certified in IV Therapy
4. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
5. Have completed CNPBC approved training course for the corresponding certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in Prescriptive Authority; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Those with IV & Chelation Therapies Certification may restore their IV Therapy Certification by applying to the college should they no longer wish to provide chelation therapies as part of their practice.

Scope:

- Certification in IV therapy authorizes a registrant to perform IV Therapy.
- Certification in IV & Chelation Therapies authorizes a registrant to perform IV therapies , IV Chelation Therapies and oral chelation therapies.

- Registrants who hold certification in IV & Chelation Therapies have met the requirements for certification in IV Therapy and are not required to hold both certifications.
- Registrants must obtain additional education (as defined in the [CNPBC Restricted Activities for Naturopathic Physicians: Limits and Conditions](#)) in intravenous (IV) and intramuscular (IM) iron prior to administration of IV and IM iron.
- Registrants must have additional education (as defined in the [CNPBC Restricted Activities for Naturopathic Physicians: Limits and Conditions](#)) in peripherally inserted central catheters (PICCs) and ports prior to accessing existing PICCs and ports. Registrants do not insert PICCs or ports.

Schedule J – Ozone & Oxidative Therapies Certification

Certification Requirements

In order to apply for certification in Ozone & Oxidative Therapies, naturopathic physicians must:

1. Have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the CNPBC Bylaws;
2. Be certified in Prescriptive Authority;
3. Possess a current qualification in Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS); and
4. Have completed a CNPBC approved training course for the corresponding certification.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, registrants must:

1. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "E");
2. maintain certification in Prescriptive Authority; and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in Ozone & Oxidative Therapies allows registrants to provide therapies involving ozone, hydrogen peroxide, intravenous (IV) ultraviolet therapy, and other invasive oxidative therapies.
- The administration of prolozone requires certification in both **Ozone & Oxidative Therapies** and **Advanced Injection Therapies** (Part A or Part B, as appropriate).
- Certification in IV Therapy or IV & Chelation Therapies is required for those ozone and oxidative therapies that require IV administration.

Schedule K – Prescriptive Authority Certification

Certification Requirements

To be certified in Prescriptive Authority, naturopathic physicians must:

1. have the status of full registrant under s. 46 of the College Bylaws;
2. successfully complete and pass The Canadian Therapeutics and Prescribing Course for Naturopathic Doctors offered by Therapeutics Collaboration Education;
3. (a) complete and pass the examination from Therapeutics Collaboration Education for The Canadian Therapeutics and Prescribing Course for Naturopathic Doctors – administered by CCNM-Boucher;
OR
(b) complete and pass the examination from Therapeutics Collaboration Education for The Canadian Therapeutics and Prescribing Course for Naturopathic Doctors – administered by CONO AND complete and pass the Jurisprudence Pharmacy Exam in BC – administered by CCNM-Boucher;
4. submit your application within 24 months of completing the aforementioned exam(s) *(for option (b) above both exams must have been passed within 24 months of the application)*;
5. hold current Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for HCP with AED and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support certification; and
6. provide evidence of PharmaNet access for your primary place of practice. Please allow sufficient time for setting up PharmaNet access through PRIME. You can contact PRIME Support to inquire about their processing timeline.

IMPORTANT Registrants who have completed the required prescribing exam/course are not permitted to prescribe in BC until

- they provide the required application requirements, including evidence of PharmaNet Access,
- are in receipt of a confirmation letter from the College approving their certification with prescriber number and
- have verified their certification status on the College’s Public Register.

Maintaining Certification - Requirements

To maintain valid certification, you must:

1. maintain PRIME/PharmaNet Access;
2. satisfy the College's CE Requirements (see Category "F"); and
3. hold current qualification in:
 - a. Basic Life Support (BLS) for HCP, or CPR for HCP with AED; and
 - b. Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS).
4. Renew certification annually and pay associated fees

Scope:

- Certification in Prescriptive Authority allows registrant to prescribe in accordance with the [Naturopathic Physicians Regulation](#) and the College's [Scope of Practice for Naturopathic Physicians – Standards, Limits and Conditions for Prescribing Dispensing and Compounding Drugs.](#)
- Registrants document when and reasons why their treatment diverges from the clinical practice guidelines of BC Cancer when a prescribing cancer drug treatment.
- Registrants document when and reasons why their treatment diverges from the clinical practice guidelines of the BCCDC when treating Sexually Transmitted Infections.

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