



Naturopathic Doctors Preceptorship Policy

Under this policy, preceptorship involves a more experienced or more knowledgeable practitioner (the “preceptor”) guiding a less experienced individual (the “preceptee”) on a one- to-one basis through teaching, coaching, and/or role modeling.

Preceptor Qualifications:

- be a full (practising) ND registrant of the College who has been authorized to practise in BC or another regulated jurisdiction for at least three (3) consecutive years, and is not currently subject to any disciplinary actions or limits and conditions,
- be certified in all relevant specified aspects of practice for at least (2) consecutive years, and
- be current in all required qualifications including Basic Life Support (BLS)/CPR for Health Care Providers and Naturopathic Advanced Life Support (NALS), as appropriate.

Preceptor Responsibilities

The preceptor must satisfy their professional obligations, including ensuring the following requirements are satisfied:

- informed consent for participation in the preceptor/preceptee process is obtained from the patient and retained in each patient’s clinical record. (Such consents should be in writing and should include clear language regarding the qualifications and roles of both the preceptor and preceptee),
- all necessary safeguards are in place to ensure the confidentiality of patient clinical records and related information, and
- the appropriate insurance coverage is in place for the relevant activities.

Preceptee Responsibilities

The preceptee must only engage in practice observation. Practice observation is when a preceptee observes the practice of the preceptor and is not involved in patient treatment.