

## Currency of Practice Experience

<b>Section:</b>	<b>Registration</b>		
<b>Applicable Legislation:</b>	<b>Section 16 1 (a), 2 (a), (b) Medical Practitioners Regulations</b>		
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### Preamble

Regular clinical practice is essential to maintaining competence. There is no one standard for the minimum clinical exposure necessary to remain competent; this is influenced by physician factors, scope of practice and the practice environment.

Physicians who have taken an extended absence from practice and do not clearly meet or exceed the above definition, must contact the College when applying this guidance to their individual circumstances.

### Policy

For purposes of Section 16 of the **Medical Practitioners Regulations**, the College considers an applicant to have been absent from practice if he or she has not been in regular practice to the satisfaction of the Registrar for at least six consecutive months within the previous three years.

For the purpose of this policy, the College defines 'regular' as a minimum half-time clinical practice, undertaken monthly over at least six consecutive months.