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## Sponsor-only Oversight of a Defined Licence Physician

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### PREAMBLE

Under the *Medical Act (2011)*<sup>1</sup> and *Medical Practitioners Regulations*<sup>2</sup>, physicians granted a Defined licence (DL) under the Conditional Register are required to have a Sponsor and Supervisor for the duration of that licence. Physicians issued a Defined licence or an Academic licence prior to the enactment of the *Medical Act (2011)* on January 1, 2015, may have been permitted, in some circumstances, to practice under Sponsor-only Oversight in accordance with the *College-Directed Supervision Framework – Responsibilities and Outline by Level*<sup>3</sup>.

### PURPOSE

This policy outlines the criteria for a physician on a Defined licence to maintain their practice under Sponsor-only Oversight.

Physicians practising under a Defined licence with Sponsor-only Oversight may apply for a Restricted licence. For more information, please refer to the College policy *Pathway to Restricted Licensure for Defined Licence Physicians on Sponsor-Only Oversight*.<sup>4</sup>

### SCOPE

This policy applies to all Defined licence physicians practising under Sponsor-only oversight.

### POLICY

The physician on Sponsor-only oversight must have ongoing support from their Sponsor to maintain their licensure. The Sponsor must confirm their support at the time of annual licensing renewal, through the completion of the Annual Sponsorship Renewal Evaluation<sup>5</sup>.

A change in Sponsor-only Oversight status to a higher level of supervision may be (re)imposed at any time according to the provisions of the College policy *Supervision Levels for College-Directed Supervision*<sup>6</sup>.

A physician granted Sponsor-only Oversight under this policy may be considered as a Supervisor for another Defined licensee, as per the College policy *Approval of Supervisors for College-Directed Supervision*.<sup>7</sup>

## RESOURCES

1. [Medical Act 2011](#)
2. [Medical Practitioners Regulations](#)
3. [College-Directed Supervision Framework – Responsibilities and Outline by Level](#)
4. [Pathway to Restricted Licensure for Defined Licence Physicians on Sponsor-Only Oversight](#)
5. [Annual Sponsorship Evaluation](#)
6. [Supervision Levels for College-Directed Supervision](#)
7. [Approval of Supervisors for College-Directed Supervision](#)