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POLICY

The Registrar and/or Registration Committee, pursuant to the *Health Professions Act*, *Denturist Profession Regulation*, and the College's Bylaws, will use the guidelines established by the College in assessment of substantial equivalence from internationally trained denturists. An internationally trained denturist has/is not registered in another Canadian jurisdiction recognized by Council and is not subject to labour mobility under the *Labour Mobility Act*.

An assessment of substantial equivalence by the Registration Committee will commence as soon as reasonably practicable, as per the Registrar, and in compliance with applicable laws, following the receipt of a complete application, applicable fees and supporting documentation from the applicant.

In the assessment of applicants for substantial equivalency, if the Registrar or Registration Committee deems that the applicant may be placed on a register, the Registrar or Registration Committee may allow the applicant to apply for registration on the provisional register. They may remain on the provisional register, with appropriate renewal, until they have successfully passed the registration examination approved by Council or a period of one year has passed, whichever is shorter. In accordance with section 5.1(2), registration on the provisional register will be subject to the condition that the applicant practice only while supervised in a manner satisfactory to the Registrar or the Registration Committee. Additional conditions may also be included at the discretion of the Registrar or Registration Committee.

DEFINITIONS

Registration Committee: a statutory committee of the College which deliberates and makes registration decisions referred to it by the Registrar.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Substantial Equivalence Procedure

REFERENCES

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