

## Information for Internationally Educated Physiotherapists

The PEICPT would like to welcome qualified Internationally Educated Physiotherapists (IEPTs) to work on Prince Edward Island.

Steps for IEPTs to become Registered Physiotherapists in the province of Prince Edward Island, Canada:

### First Step: Credentialing and Demonstration of Competence

Contact the Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators (The Alliance):

Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators

1243 Islington Avenue, Suite 501

Toronto, Ontario M8X 1Y9

Phone: 416-234-8800

Fax: 416-234-8820

email@alliancept.org

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The Alliance reviews international education credentials in order to determine if they are substantially comparable to those of physiotherapists educated in Canada.

The Alliance is also responsible for the administration of the Physiotherapy Competency Exam for all physiotherapists who would like to practice in Canada, except for the province of Quebec.

You may begin the credentialing process in your home country **prior** to your arrival in Canada.

Visit [alliancept.org](http://alliancept.org), and select [Becoming Credentialed](#)

- ▶ Submit your application for credentialing to the Alliance

### Helpful Suggestions / Recommendations:

- ▶ Visit the Alliance web site, and review the Credentialing Overview to ensure that you are eligible for application and to understand the entire process
- ▶ Start the credentialing process long before making a decision to move to Prince Edward Island

### Useful Information:

- ▶ The credentialing process may take months / years to complete
- ▶ Substantial costs can be associated with the credentialing process
- ▶ Additional education may be required

Once your qualifications have been credentialed successfully by the Alliance, proceed to the Second Step.

### Second Step: Examination

- ▶ Register with the Alliance to take the Physiotherapy Competency Exam – Written (PCE-W), and take this Exam
- ▶ After successful completion of the PCE-W, register with the Alliance and take the Physiotherapy Competency Exam – Clinical (PCE-C)

### Helpful Suggestions / Recommendations:

- ▶ Visit the Alliance website, and familiarize yourself with the [Exam Overview](#)

### Useful Information:

- ▶ The PCE-W is also known as the Qualifying Exam
- ▶ Read all the PCE information on the Alliance website
- ▶ The Exams can only be taken in Canada
- ▶ The exams could take one year or more to complete

Once you have successfully passed the exam, both PCE-W and PCE-C, or the PCE-W only, proceed to the next step.

### Third Step: Registration

- ▶ Apply to the PEICPT for registration as a physiotherapist on Prince Edward Island by visiting: [peicpt.com/registration](http://peicpt.com/registration)

Your application for registration will be considered with the provision of the following:

- ▶ Proof of successful credentialing from the Alliance
- ▶ Proof that you have successfully passed the PCE examination (see 'Useful Information' below)
- ▶ Inclusion of all supporting material and fees as outlined

#### Useful Information:

- ▶ You may apply for registration on PEI as a *Physiotherapy Resident* after the successful completion of the PCE-W, and if you have registered for the very next attempt of the PCE-C
- ▶ Physiotherapy Resident is defined in the Physiotherapy Act's Authorization Regulations, Section 6. (Special Authorization):  
[peicpt.com/PhysiotherapyResident](http://peicpt.com/PhysiotherapyResident) (PDF)

**To practice physiotherapy on Prince Edward Island, you must be registered with the PEI College of Physiotherapists.**

## Helpful Links / Contacts

### PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada:

- ▶ Guide for Newcomers to Prince Edward Island - Qualification Recognition  
[peianc.com/content/page/guide\\_employment\\_qualifications](http://peianc.com/content/page/guide_employment_qualifications)

### Canadian Physiotherapy Association (CPA):

Canadian Physiotherapy Association  
955 Green Valley Crescent, Suite 270  
Ottawa, ON K2C 3V4, Canada  
Telephone: 613-564-5454  
Toll free: 1-800-387-8679  
Fax: 613-564-1577  
Email: [information@physiotherapy.ca](mailto:information@physiotherapy.ca)  
Website: [physiotherapy.ca](http://physiotherapy.ca)

- ▶ Canadian Physiotherapy Association (Information for PTs or PTAs educated outside of Canada): [physiotherapy.ca/working-canada](http://physiotherapy.ca/working-canada)
- ▶ Prince Edward Island Physiotherapy Association (a CPA branch)  
[physiotherapy.ca/prince-edward-island-physiotherapy-association](http://physiotherapy.ca/prince-edward-island-physiotherapy-association)

### Other Relevant Information:

- ▶ Atlantic Connection for Internationally Educated Health Professionals  
[atlanticcanadahealthcare.com](http://atlanticcanadahealthcare.com)
- ▶ The Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials  
[cicic.ca](http://cicic.ca)
- ▶ Government of Canada – Working in Canada  
[cic.gc.ca/english/work](http://cic.gc.ca/english/work)