



POSITION STATEMENT

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TOPIC: SUPERVISION AND MENTORSHIP

Registrants who are students, or candidates preparing to undertake the Physiotherapy Competency Examination (international candidates and re-entry candidates) will be limited to practicing physiotherapy under supervision (ie. mandatory supervised practice) until successful completion of the PCE. Registrants who are students must practice under supervision until successful completion of their education program.

Registrants, who are new graduates of a Canadian physiotherapy program and have not completed the Physiotherapy Competency Examination, will be limited to practicing physiotherapy under a mentorship model.

Supervision – is the critical observation and directing of a process to enhance performance and may be either direct or indirect.

Direct Supervision – means supervision must be onsite. There must be a minimum of one daily contact with the supervising physiotherapist who is a member of CPM in good standing, and has at least 2 years of physiotherapy work experience.

Indirect Supervision – means that the supervisor may not be onsite but communication between the supervisor and physiotherapist is available through means of telecommunication, ie. telephone, e-mail, fax, audio-visual link, etc.

Mentorship – is a process whereby CPM members on the Active Practice Register who are in good standing and have at least 2 years of physiotherapy work experience, may serve as a mentor to provide guidance and advice to a graduate when the graduate has questions, concerns. The mentor is not responsible to undertake performance evaluations or to directly supervise the graduate.

Legislative Reference:

Regulations – 6(1)(b)(i)

A Position Statement is a formal position of the College with which members shall comply.