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| **Department** | Registration |
| **Title** | Applying for a Second Provisional Practice Certificate of Registration (PPC)  (no practical / clinical exam attempted) |
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| **Related Policy** | Second Provisional Practice Certificates of Registration |

Individuals who successfully complete the Written Component of the Physiotherapy Competency Exam administered by the Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators (CAPR) can apply for a Provisional Practice certificate of registration (PPC) with the College. Having a PPC allows the individual to practice as a Physiotherapy Resident, under the supervision of another physiotherapist while they wait to attempt the Ontario Clinical Exam (OCE) or another provincially administered clinical / practical exam.

The [General Regulation](https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/980532) confirms that an individual who has a PPC must attempt the next available administration of the OCE (practical / clinical exam), and failing that their certificate of registration will expire on the original expiry date.

On occasion, a resident is unable to attempt the next available sitting of the OCE. The Regulation contemplates this in section 23(6).

23(6) A person who previously obtained what was formerly known as   
a certificate of registration authorizing supervised practice is not entitled   
to apply for a certificate of registration authorizing provisional practice unless   
the person did not fail the practical component of the examination but was   
unable to complete it successfully because of illness or some other reason   
beyond the control of the person.

This suggests that if an individual is unable to attempt the OCE they may be able to apply for a new   
PPC if the reason why they were unable to attempt the exam was due to illness or some other reason beyond their control.

The purpose of this policy is to define what is meant by “reason beyond their control”. Where the reason outlined reflects a circumstance that is beyond the control of the applicant, staff may be permitted to issue a second PPC as per Committee direction. In certain cases, the request will be considered by the Registration Committee. No individual will be granted a third Provisional Practice certificate of registration.

The option to apply for a second Provisional Practice certificate of registration is only available   
to physiotherapy residents registered to practice in Ontario and who are currently working as a physiotherapy resident in Ontario at the time of the request.

No individual will be able to apply for a second Provisional Practice certificate of registration if they were unsuccessful at the OCE or any other equivalent offered by another Canadian jurisdiction.

Once they have received confirmation from the Registration Team at the College that they can apply for a second Provisional Practice certificate of registration under this policy, the onus will be on the resident to ensure that they submit an application for the second Provisional Practice certificate of registration well before the expiry date of their first Provisional Practice certificate in order to ensure continuity of registration. Applications received after the certificate has expired will not be considered.