

SCHEDULE

The bylaws of the British Columbia College of Nursing Professionals made under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* are amended as follows:

1 Section 67 is amended

- (a) in the definition of “panel” by striking out “in this Division;”, and substituting “under section 74 [Committee panels].”, and**
- (b) by repealing the definitions of “QA coordinating panel”, “QA standing panel A”, “QA standing panel B” and “QA standing panel C”.**

2 Section 69 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out “nine persons” and substituting “12 persons” , and**
- (b) by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following:**

(2) Not fewer than eight of the committee members must be registrants, of whom

- (a) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants,
- (b) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants,
- (c) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants, and
- (d) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.

(3) Not less than one-half of the committee members must be registrants in one or more of the following:

- (a) the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants;
- (b) the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants;
- (c) the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants;
- (d) the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.

(4) Not less than one-third of the committee members must be public representatives.

3 *Section 70(7) is amended by striking out “the QA coordinating panel” and substituting “the committee”.*

4 *Section 71 is repealed and the following substituted:*

Committee chair and vice-chairs

71 (1) The committee must have one committee chair and not less than one committee vice-chair.

(2) The committee chair and all committee vice-chairs must be designated by the board from among the committee members.

(3) The committee chair must

(a) preside at all meetings of the committee as a whole, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of committee chair, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the committee.

(4) If the committee chair is absent or unable to act, a committee vice-chair may exercise the powers and must perform the duties of the committee chair.

5 *Section 73 is amended*

(a) in paragraph (a) by striking out “a chair or vice-chair of a panel” and substituting “ the chair of a panel” ,

(b) in paragraph (c) by striking out “and” at the end of the paragraph,

(c) in paragraph (d) by striking out “.” at the end of the paragraph and substituting “ , and” , and

(d) by adding the following paragraph:

(e) may, in respect of RPN registrants, RN registrants and NP registrants,

(i) monitor and review the prescribing of selected drugs or drug classes,

(ii) identify concerns, trends or issues related to selected drug or drug class prescribing practices, and

(iii) provide information on selected drug or drug class prescribing practices to

(A) the professional practice and standards committee for consideration in the development of standards of practice and standards of professional ethics for the practice of psychiatric nursing by RPN registrants or the practice of nursing by RN registrants or NP registrants,

(B) the registrar for the purpose of commencing or conducting audits under section 303 [Verification], or

(C) all, or selected groups of, RPN registrants, RN registrants and NP registrants for the purpose of promoting safe client care and high practice standards in relation to the prescribing of drugs.

6 Section 73 is renumbered as section 73(1) and the following subsection is added:

(2) In this section:

“NP registrants” means registrants in classes established in section 272(1) [Classes of NP registrants].

“RN registrants” means registrants in classes established in section 257(1) [Classes of RN registrants and LGN registrants];

“RPN registrants” means registrants in classes established in section 247(1) [Classes of RPN registrants].

7 Sections 74 and 75 are repealed and the following substituted:

Committee panels

74 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 73(1)(b) [Committee powers and duties], the committee chair may

- (a) establish panels of the committee and may disestablish such panels, and
- (b) issue terms of reference for each panel of the committee and may amend such terms of reference.

Panel composition

75 (1) Each panel must consist of not fewer than three persons, all of whom must be appointed by the committee chair from among the committee members.

(2) Not less than one-third of the members of a panel must be public representatives.

8 Sections 76 to 89 are repealed.

9 Sections 91 to 93 are repealed and the following substituted:

Panel chairs

91 (1) Each panel must have one chair of the panel.

(2) The chair of each panel must be designated by the committee chair from among the members of the panel.

(3) A committee member may be designated concurrently as committee chair or committee vice-chair and chair of a panel, or as chair of more than one panel, or a combination thereof, if otherwise eligible to hold each office in respect of which the committee member is designated.

(4) The chair of a panel must

(a) preside at all meetings of the panel, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of chair of the panel, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the panel.

Panel meetings

92 (1) If a panel consists of three persons, all members of the panel constitute a quorum at meetings of the panel.

(2) If a panel consists of more than three persons, a majority of the members of the panel constitutes a quorum at meetings of the panel, as long as not less than one-third of the members of the panel in attendance are public representatives.

(3) Section 72(2) to (4) [*Committee meetings*] applies to a panel as if it were the committee as a whole, with any necessary changes.

Panel powers and duties

93 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 73(1)(b) [*Committee powers and duties*] and any applicable terms of reference issued under section 74(b) [*Committee panels*], a panel may exercise any power and perform any duty of the committee under the Act.

10 Section 94 is amended

(a) *in subsection (1) by striking out* “and sections 81(2)(c)(ii) [*QA standing panel B powers and duties*] and 85(2)(c)(ii) [*QA standing panel C powers and duties*]” **and substituting** “and section 73(1)(e)(iii)(B) [*Committee powers and duties*]”,

(b) *in subsection (1)(d) by repealing subparagraph (iii) and substituting the following:*

(iii) conducting activities described in section 73(1)(e) [*Committee powers and duties*]. ,

and

(c) *in subsection (2) by repealing paragraph (a) and substituting the following:*

(a) the committee and panels, and assessors appointed by, or persons acting on behalf of, the committee or panels, from acting in accordance with section 73(1)(c) or (e)(iii)(A) or (C) [*Committee powers and duties*], provided that they do so without disclosing the names or personal health information of registrants or clients, or their families, or information which might otherwise enable the identity of registrants or clients, or their families, to be established, except with the consent of the person affected, .

11 Section 95 is repealed and the following substituted:

Committee annual report

95 The committee must submit annually to the board, in a form satisfactory to the board, a report of the committee's activities including without limitation the activities of its panels.

12 Section 96 is amended

- (a) by repealing the definitions of "EPR coordinating panel", "EPR standing panel A", "EPR standing panel B" and "EPR standing panel C", and**
- (b) in the definition of "panel" by striking out "in this Division" and substituting "under section 103 [*Committee panels*]".**

13 Section 98 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out "nine persons" and substituting "12 persons" , and**
- (b) by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following:**

(2) Not fewer than eight of the committee members must be registrants, of whom

(a) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants,

(b) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants,

(c) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants, and

(d) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.

(3) Not less than one-half of the committee members must be registrants in one or more of the following:

(a) the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants;

- (b) the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants;
 - (c) the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants;
 - (d) the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.
- (4) Not less than one-third of the committee members must be public representatives.

14 *Section 99(7) is amended by striking out “the EPR coordinating panel” and substituting “the committee”.*

15 *Section 100 is repealed and the following substituted:*

Committee chair and vice-chairs

100 (1) The committee must have one committee chair and not less than one committee vice-chair.

(2) The committee chair and all committee vice-chairs must be designated by the board from among the committee members.

(3) The committee chair must

(a) preside at all meetings of the committee as a whole, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of committee chair, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the committee.

(4) If the committee chair is absent or unable to act, a committee vice-chair may exercise the powers and must perform the duties of the committee chair.

16 *Section 101(1) is amended by repealing paragraph (d) and substituting the following:*

(d) not less than one of the committee members in attendance is a public representative.

17 *Section 102(a) is amended by striking out “a chair or vice-chair of a panel” and substituting “the chair of a panel”.*

18 *Sections 103 and 104 are repealed and the following substituted:*

Committee panels

103 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 102(b) [*Committee powers and duties*], the committee chair may

(a) establish panels of the committee and may disestablish such panels, and

(b) issue terms of reference for each panel of the committee and may amend such terms of reference.

Panel composition

104 (1) Each panel must consist of not fewer than three persons, all of whom must be appointed by the committee chair from among the committee members.

(2) Not less than one-third of the members of a panel must be public representatives.

19 ***Sections 105 to 118 are repealed.***

20 ***Sections 120 to 123 are repealed and the following substituted:***

Panel chairs

120 (1) Each panel must have one chair of the panel.

(2) The chair of each panel must be designated by the committee chair from among the members of the panel.

(3) A committee member may be designated concurrently as committee chair or committee vice-chair and chair of a panel, or as chair of more than one panel, or a combination thereof, if otherwise eligible to hold each office in respect of which the committee member is designated.

(4) The chair of a panel must

(a) preside at all meetings of the panel, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of chair of the panel, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the panel.

Panel meetings

121 (1) If a panel consists of three persons, all members of the panel constitute a quorum at meetings of the panel.

(2) If a panel consists of more than three persons, a majority of the members of the panel constitutes a quorum at meetings of the panel, as long as not less than one of the members of the panel in attendance is a public representative.

(3) Section 101(2) to (4) [*Committee meetings*] applies to a panel as if it were the committee as a whole, with any necessary changes.

Panel powers and duties

122 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 102(b) [*Committee powers and duties*] and any applicable terms of reference issued under section 103(b) [*Committee panels*], a panel may exercise any power and perform any duty of the committee under the Act.

Committee annual report

123 The committee must submit annually to the board, in a form satisfactory to the board, a report of the committee's activities including without limitation the activities of its panels.

21 Section 124 is amended

(a) *in the definition of "panel" by striking out "in this Division;" and substituting "under section 131 [*Committee panels*].", and*

(b) *by repealing the definitions of "PPS coordinating panel", "PPS standing panel A", "PPS standing panel B", "PPS standing panel C" and "PPS standing panel D".*

22 Section 126 is amended

(a) *in subsection (1) by striking out "21 persons" and substituting "12 persons" , and*

(b) *by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following:*

(2) Not fewer than eight of the committee members must be registrants, of whom

(a) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants,

(b) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants,

(c) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants, and

(d) not fewer than two must be registrants in the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.

(3) Not less than one-half of the committee members must be registrants in one or more of the following:

(a) the class of practising LPN registrants or non-practising LPN registrants;

(b) the class of practising RPN registrants or non-practising RPN registrants;

(c) the class of practising RN registrants or non-practising RN registrants;

(d) the class of practising NP registrants or non-practising NP registrants.

(4) Not less than one-third of the committee members must be public representatives.

23 *Section 127(7) is amended by striking out “the PPS coordinating panel” and substituting “the committee”.*

24 *Section 128 is repealed and the following substituted:*

Committee chair and vice-chairs

128 (1) The committee must have one committee chair and not less than one committee vice-chair.

(2) The committee chair and all committee vice-chairs must be designated by the board from among the committee members.

(3) The committee chair must

(a) preside at all meetings of the committee as a whole, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of committee chair, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the committee.

(4) If the committee chair is absent or unable to act, a committee vice-chair may exercise the powers and must perform the duties of the committee chair.

25 *Section 129(1) is amended by repealing paragraph (d) and substituting the following:*

(d) not less than one of the committee members in attendance is a public representative.

26 *Section 130(a) is amended by striking out “a chair or vice-chair of a panel” and substituting “the chair of a panel”.*

27 *Sections 131 and 132 are repealed and the following substituted:*

Committee panels

131 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 130(b) [*Committee powers and duties*], the committee chair may

(a) establish panels of the committee and may disestablish such panels, and

(b) issue terms of reference for each panel of the committee and may amend such terms of reference.

Panel composition

132 (1) Each panel must consist of not fewer than three persons, all of whom must be appointed by the committee chair from among the committee members.

(2) Not less than one-third of the members of a panel must be public representatives.

28 *Sections 133 to 150 are repealed.*

29 *Sections 152 to 155 are repealed and the following substituted:*

Panel chairs

152 (1) Each panel must have one chair of the panel.

(2) The chair of each panel must be designated by the committee chair from among the members of the panel.

(3) A committee member may be designated concurrently as committee chair or committee vice-chair and chair of a panel, or as chair of more than one panel, or a combination thereof, if otherwise eligible to hold each office in respect of which the committee member is designated.

(4) The chair of a panel must

(a) preside at all meetings of the panel, and

(b) act generally in accordance with the requirements of the office of chair of the panel, for the proper exercise and performance of the powers and duties of the panel.

Panel meetings

153 (1) If a panel consists of three persons, all members of the panel constitute a quorum at meetings of the panel.

(2) If a panel consists of more than three persons, a majority of the members of the panel constitutes a quorum at meetings of the panel, as long as not less than one of the members of the panel in attendance is a public representative.

(3) Section 129(2) to (4) [*Committee meetings*] applies to a panel as if it were the committee as a whole, with any necessary changes.

Panel powers and duties

154 Subject to any applicable policies and procedures established under section 130(b) [*Committee powers and duties*] and any applicable terms of reference issued under section 131(b) [*Committee panels*], a panel may exercise any power and perform any duty of the committee under the Act.

Committee annual report

155 The committee must submit annually to the board, in a form satisfactory to the board, a report of the committee's activities including without limitation the activities of its panels.

30 Section 309 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out** "QA standing panel A, or an assessor appointed by that standing panel" **and substituting** "The quality assurance committee, or an assessor appointed by that committee",
- (b) in subsections (2), (3) and (5) by striking out** "QA standing panel A" **wherever it appears and substituting** "the quality assurance committee",
- (c) in subsection (4) by striking out** "or QA standing panel A",
- (d) in subsection (6) by striking out** "in accordance with section 89(1)(c) [QA coordinating panel powers and duties]" **and by striking out** "the QA coordinating panel must deliver notice, on behalf of the quality assurance committee, in writing" **and substituting** "the quality assurance committee must deliver notice in writing", **and**
- (e) by repealing subsection (7).**

31 Section 311 is amended

- (a) by repealing subsection (1),**
- (b) in subsections (2) and (3) by striking out** "QA standing panel A" **wherever it appears and substituting** "the quality assurance committee", **and**
- (c) by repealing subsection (4).**

32 Section 315 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by striking out** "QA standing panel B, or an assessor appointed by that standing panel" **and substituting** "The quality assurance committee, or an assessor appointed by that committee",
- (b) in subsection (3) by striking out** "or QA standing panel B",
- (c) in subsection (4) by striking out** "QA standing panel B" **wherever it appears and substituting** "the quality assurance committee",
- (d) in subsection (5) by striking out** "in accordance with section 89(1)(c) [QA coordinating panel powers and duties]" **and by striking out** "the QA coordinating panel must deliver notice, on behalf of the quality assurance committee, in writing" **and substituting** "the quality assurance committee must deliver notice in writing", **and**

(e) **by repealing subsection (6).**

33 Section 317 is amended

(a) **in subsections (1) and (2) by striking out “QA standing panel B” wherever it appears and substituting “the quality assurance committee”, and**

(b) **by repealing subsection (3).**

34 Section 321 is amended

(a) **in subsection (2) by striking out “QA standing panel C, or an assessor appointed by that standing panel” and substituting “The quality assurance committee, or an assessor appointed by that committee”,**

(b) **in subsections (3) and (6) by striking out “QA standing panel C” wherever it appears and substituting “the quality assurance committee”,**

(c) **in subsection (5) by striking out “or QA standing panel C”,**

(d) **in subsection (7) by striking out “in accordance with section 89(1)(c) [QA coordinating panel powers and duties]” and by striking out “the QA coordinating panel must deliver, on behalf of the quality assurance committee, notice in writing” and substituting “the quality assurance committee must deliver notice in writing”, and**

(e) **by repealing subsection (8).**

35 Section 323 is amended

(a) **in subsections (1) and (2) by striking out “QA standing panel C” wherever it appears and substituting “the quality assurance committee”, and**

(b) **by repealing subsection (3).**

36 Section 327 is amended

(a) **in subsection (1) by striking out “QA standing panel C, or an assessor appointed by that standing panel” and substituting “The quality assurance committee, or an assessor appointed by that committee”,**

(b) **in subsections (2) and (5) by striking out “QA standing panel C” wherever it appears and substituting “the quality assurance committee”,**

(c) **in subsection (4) by striking out “or QA standing panel C”,**

(d) **in subsection (6) by striking out “in accordance with section 89(1)(c) [QA coordinating panel powers and duties]” and by striking out “the QA coordinating panel must deliver,**

on behalf of the quality assurance committee, notice in writing” **and substituting** “the quality assurance committee must deliver notice in writing”, **and**

(e) by repealing subsection (7).

35 Section 330 is amended

(a) in subsections (1) and (2) by striking out “QA standing panel C” wherever it appears and substituting “the quality assurance committee”, and

(b) by repealing subsection (3).