

Draft Regulation

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26)

Physical therapists and physical rehabilitation therapists — Committee on training

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation respecting the committee on training of physical therapists and physical rehabilitation therapists, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation proposes the establishment of a committee on training designed to promote cooperation between the Ordre professionnel de la physiothérapie du Québec, the institutions that issue a diploma giving access to the permit issued by the Order and the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports with regard to all matters relating to the training of physical therapists and physical rehabilitation therapists. It prescribes the rules governing the composition, functions and works of the committee.

The coming into force of the Regulation will have no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

The draft Regulation will be submitted for consultation to the Office des professions du Québec, which will communicate its own opinion to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions, together with the results of the consultation conducted with the educational institutions and other bodies referred to in the Professional Code.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Jean-Luc Hunlédé, Direction des affaires juridiques, Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3; telephone: 418 643-6912 or 1 800 643-6912; fax: 418 643-0973.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Jean Paul Dutrisac, Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister responsible

for the administration of legislation respecting the professions and may also be sent to the professional order concerned, and to interested persons, departments and bodies.

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Regulation respecting the committee on training of physical therapists and physical rehabilitation therapists

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 184, 2nd par.)

1. A committee on training is hereby established within the Ordre professionnel de la physiothérapie du Québec.

The committee is composed of two divisions.

One division is responsible for the training of physical therapists and the other for the training of physical rehabilitation therapists.

2. The committee is an advisory committee whose mandate is to examine matters relating to the quality of the training of physical therapists and physical rehabilitation therapists, in keeping with the respective and complementary jurisdictions of the Order, the universities and colleges and the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports.

Quality of training means the appropriateness of training in relation to the professional skills to be acquired to practise the profession of physical therapist or physical rehabilitation therapist.

As regards training, the committee is to consider

(1) the objectives of the training programs offered by educational institutions at the college and university levels leading to a diploma that gives access to a permit or a specialist's certificate;

(2) the objectives of the other terms and conditions for the issuance of permits or specialist's certificates that may be imposed by a regulation of the Bureau, such as professional training periods, courses or professional examinations; and

(3) the standards for a diploma or training equivalence, prescribed by regulation of the Bureau, that gives access to a permit or a specialist's certificate.

3. The committee is composed of ten members chosen for their knowledge and responsibilities in relation to the matters referred to in section 2.

The Conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec appoints two members for the division responsible for the training of physical therapists and the Fédération des cégeps appoints two members for the division responsible for the training of physical rehabilitation therapists.

The Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports or the Minister's representative appoints one member and, if necessary, one alternate for each division.

The Bureau appoints two members of the Order for each division, and the committee selects one of those two members as its chair.

The committee may also authorize persons or representatives of organizations concerned to attend its meetings.

4. The members of the committee are appointed for a term of three years.

They remain in office until they are reappointed or replaced.

5. The functions of the committee are

(1) to review each year the situation as regards the quality of training in the light of developments in knowledge and practice, particularly as regards protection of the public and, where appropriate, to report its observations to the Bureau; and

(2) to give its opinion to the Bureau, as regards the quality of training,

(a) on projects involving the review or preparation of the objectives or standards referred to in the third paragraph of section 2; and

(b) on ways to enhance the quality of training, in particular by proposing solutions to the problems observed.

The committee must indicate in its report and in any opinion the viewpoint of each of its members.

6. The members of the committee are to endeavour to gather information relevant to the exercise of the committee's functions from the organizations that appointed them and from any other organization or person concerned.

7. The chair sets the date, time and place of the committee's meetings.

Despite the foregoing, the chair must call a meeting of the committee whenever at least three of its members so request.

8. The committee must hold at least two meetings per year.

9. The quorum of the committee is three members per division, including one member appointed each by the Bureau, the Conference or Federation, as the case may be, and the Minister.

10. Clerical support for the committee is the responsibility of the Order.

The secretary designated by the Order sees to preparing and keeping the minutes, reports and opinions of the committee.

11. The Bureau is to transmit a copy of the committee's reports and opinions to the Conference or Federation, as the case may be, the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports, and the Office des professions du Québec.

12. The annual report of the Order must contain the findings of the committee's reports and opinions.

13. This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the committee on training of physiotherapists, made by Order in Council 400-2000 dated 29 March 2000.

Despite sections 3 and 4, the members appointed under the provisions replaced by this Regulation remain members of the committee on training until their term expires. They are then replaced in the manner prescribed by this Regulation.

14. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.