Further information may be obtained by contacting Carmelle Marchessault, Director, Direction des services juridiques, Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec, 4200, boulevard Dorchester Ouest, Montréal (Québec) H3Z 1V4; telephone: 514 935-2501 or 1 800 363-6048; fax: 514 935-1799; e-mail: juridique@oiiq.org

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments to Jean Paul Dutrisac, Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3, within the 45-day period. 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.

JACQUES P. DUPUIS, Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions

## Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders \*

Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 184, 1st par.)

**1**. The Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders is amended by adding the following after subparagraph *b* of paragraph 4 of the second paragraph of section 1.17:

"(c) Maîtrise en sciences infirmières (M. Sc.), option pratique infirmière avancée held with the Diplôme complémentaire de pratique infirmière avancée, option soins de première ligne, from the Université de Montréal; (d) Maîtrise en sciences cliniques (sciences infirmières) (M. Sc.) held with the Diplôme de  $2^{e}$  cycle en études spécialisées en soins de première ligne, from the Université de Sherbrooke.".

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

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## **Draft Regulation**

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

## Occupational therapists — Diplomas giving access to permits — Amendments

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 to amend the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to amend section 1.07 of the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders that lists the diplomas giving access to the permit of the Ordre des ergothérapeutes du Québec.

The Order is of the opinion that the framework within which university training in occupational therapy is currently given does not allow integration of learning related to the new skills necessary to practise occupational therapy. The Order is therefore retaining the proposals from the university educational institutions to replace the current bachelor's programs by bachelor'smaster's training continuums. The Order, as a result, now considers that the practice of occupational therapy requires training at the master's level.

In order to grant the Order's request, the draft Regulation proposes to replace the bachelor's degree in occupational therapy from the Université de Montréal and the bachelor's degree in occupational therapy from McGill University by a new master's degree specific to each

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> The Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders, made by Order in Council 1139-83 dated 1 June 1983 (1983, *G.O.* 2, 2369), was last amended by the regulations made by Orders in Council 670-2007 dated 14 August 2007 (2007, *G.O.* 2, 2452), 438-2008 dated 7 May 2008 (2008, *G.O.* 2, 1382) and 496-2008 dated 21 May 2008 (2008, *G.O.* 2, 2045). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Québec Official Publisher, 2008, updated to 1 March 2008.

university. The draft Regulation also proposes to add a new master's degree in occupational therapy from the Université de Sherbrooke and a new master's degree in occupational therapy from the Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières.

The draft Regulation does not modify the bachelor's degree awarded by Université Laval. The new bachelor's-master's training continuum from that university is about to reach the required final approval stages.

The Order advises that the amendments will have no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

The draft Regulation will be submitted to the Office des professions and the Order for their opinion. The Office will seek the opinion of the Order and forward it with its own opinion to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions after consultation with the educational institutions and other bodies concerned.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Christiane-L. Charbonneau, Director General and Secretary, Ordre des ergothérapeutes du Québec, 2021, avenue Union, bureau 920, Montréal (Québec) H3A 2S9; telephone: 514 844-5778 or 1 800 265-5778; fax: 514 844-0478.

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, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3.

JACQUES P. DUPUIS, Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions

## Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders \*

Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 184, 1st par.)

**I**. The Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders is amended by replacing paragraphs b and c of section 1.07 by the following:

"(*b*) Maîtrise professionnelle en ergothérapie (M. Sc.) from the Université de Montréal;

(c) Master of Science, Applied, in Occupational Therapy (M.Sc.A.(O.T.)) from McGill University;

(d) Maîtrise en ergothérapie (M. ERG.) from the Université de Sherbrooke;

(e) Maîtrise professionnelle en ergothérapie (M. ERG.) from the Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières.".

**2.** Paragraphs b and c of section 1.07, replaced by section 1 of this Regulation, remain applicable to persons who, on (*insert the date of coming into force of this Regulation*), hold the diplomas referred to in the replaced paragraphs or are registered in a program enabling them to obtain such diplomas.

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

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