The Government is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires a shorter publication period than the 45-day period provided for in section 11 of the Regulations Act due to the fact that, in the current circumstances, respiratory therapy externs must be able to continue to engage in, without interruption, the activities provided for in Ministerial Order 2022-029 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 31 March 2022, which ceases to have effect on 31 December 2022 under the Act to terminate the public health emergency while maintaining transitional measures necessary to protect the health of the population (2022, chapter 15).

The Regulation makes it possible for respiratory therapy students who have successfully completed the training courses specific to respiratory therapy for the first 2 years of a program of studies leading to a diploma giving access to the permit of the Order to obtain a respiratory therapy externship.

The Regulation has no impact on the public and on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information on the Regulation may be obtained by contacting Josée Prud'Homme, Director General and Secretary, Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec, 1440, rue Sainte-Catherine Ouest, bureau 721, Montréal (Québec) H3G 1R8; telephone: 514 931-2900 or 1 800 561-0029; email: dg@opiq.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 10-day period to the Secretary of the Office des professions du Québec, Roxanne Guévin, 800, place D'Youville, 10e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3; email: secretariat@opq.gouv.qc.ca. The comments may be forwarded by the Office to the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor and may also be sent to the Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec, as well as to interested persons, departments and bodies.

ROXANNE GUÉVIN Secretary, Office des professions du Québec

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists

Professional Code (chapter C-26, s. 94, 1st par., subpar. h)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists (chapter C-26, r. 164.1) is amended in section 1 by inserting "training courses specific to respiratory therapy for the" after "for the last 20 months, has successfully completed the" in paragraph 2.
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2023.

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Professional Code (chapter C-26)

Nurses

— Professional activities which may be performed by persons other than nurses

—Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the professional activities which may be performed by persons other than nurses, as adopted by the board of directors of the Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec, appearing below, may be examined by the Office des professions du Québec then submitted to the Government which may approve it, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 10 days following this publication.

The Government is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires a shorter publication period than the 45-day period provided for in section 11 of the Regulations Act due to the fact that, in the current circumstances, nursing externs must be able to continue to perform, without interruption, the activities provided for in Ministerial Order 2022-029 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 31 March 2022, which ceases to have effect on 31 December 2022 under the Act to terminate the public health emergency while maintaining transitional measures necessary to protect the health of the population (2022, chapter 15).

The Regulation updates the requirements with respect to access to the nursing externship, allows nursing externs to perform the activities they are authorized to perform all year long, and authorizes nursing externs to take samples of oro-nasopharyngeal secretions.

The Regulation has no impact on the public and on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information on the Regulation may be obtained by contacting Pénélope Fortin, lawyer, Direction des affaires juridiques, Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec, 4200, rue Molson, Montréal (Québec) H1Y 4V4; telephone: 514 935-2501, extension 318, or 1 800 363-6048; email: penelope.fortin@oiiq.org.

Any person wishing to comment on the Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 10-day period to the Secretary of the Office des professions du Québec, Roxanne Guévin, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3; email: secretariat@opq.gouv.qc.ca. The comments may be forwarded by the Office to the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor and may also be sent to the Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec, as well as to interested persons, departments and bodies.

ROXANNE GUÉVIN Secretary, Office des professions du Québec

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the professional activities which may be performed by persons other than nurses

Professional Code (chapter C-26, s. 94, 1st par., subpar. *h*)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting the professional activities which may be performed by persons other than nurses (chapter I-8, r. 2) is amended in section 1 by replacing subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph by the following:
- "(2) a nursing extern, namely, a nursing student who, up to 24 months ago, successfully completed the first 2 years of the college studies program, at least 34 credits of the university studies program of the Université de Montréal, at least 38 credits of the university studies program of the Université du Québec

- à Trois-Rivières, at least 36 credits of the university studies program of the Université de Sherbrooke, at least 37 credits of the bachelor's degree program of McGill University, at least 42.5 credits of the master's degree program of McGill University, or at least 60 credits of another university studies program leading to a diploma giving access to the permit of the Order;".
- **2.** Section 6 is amended by striking out subparagraph *d* of paragraph 4.
- **3.** Schedule I is amended by inserting the following after section 2.7:
 - "2.8. oral-nasal-pharyngeal secretions.".
- **4.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2023.

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