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Policy

Practice and Education Requirements for Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice

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[Health Professions Act](#)

Licensed Practical Nurses Profession Regulation

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[Standards of Practice](#)

[Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice](#)

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INTRODUCTION Changes to the *Licensed Practical Nurses Profession Regulation (LPN Regulation)* effective February 1, 2020 involve some changes to practice and education for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs). The *Standards of Practice for Licensed Practical Nurses on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice (Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice)* outline the requirements for LPNs performing restricted activities and areas of advanced practice.

PURPOSE All LPNs are responsible and accountable for adhering to the *Health Professions Act (HPA)*, the LPN Regulation, *Standards of Practice for Licensed Practical Nurses in Canada*, *Standards of Practice on Boundary Violations*, *Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice* and the *Code of Ethics for Licensed Practice Nurses in Canada*. These documents establish the foundation of LPN professionalism in the provision of practical nursing services.

The purpose of this document is to complement the *Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice* by outlining the requirements for LPNs performing restricted activities and in areas of advanced practice. For information about the practice expectations for the restricted activities and areas of advanced practice detailed in this document please see the *Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice*.

POLICY The *Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice* details the expectations for LPNs practicing restricted activities and areas of advanced practice. This policy outlines the practice and education requirements resulting from the LPN Regulation changes.

These practice, education, and/or authorization requirements for restricted activities are outlined in the tables below.

Important: LPNs are responsible to ensure they have any required education or training and the individual competence prior to performing these restricted activities or areas of advanced practice.

Authorized Restricted Activities The complete list of restricted activities can be found in Schedule 7.1 in the *Government Organization Act*. LPNs are authorized to perform restricted activities as outlined in the LPN Regulation. Updates to authorized restricted activities are listed below.

For a full explanation of all authorized restricted activities and areas of advanced practice for LPNs and their requirements please see the *Standards of Practice for Licensed Practical Nurses on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice*. Restricted activities and areas of advanced practiced requiring advanced training or education and advanced authorization can be found later in this document.

Authorized Restricted Activity	Practice and Education Requirements
Restricted Activities (General)	<p>Practice – LPNs should refer to the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i> for information on the expectations prior to and while performing specific restricted activities.</p>
	<p>Education – All LPNs must take the CLPNA module on restricted activities. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have the module included in their diploma program.</p>



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<p>Inserting or removing instruments, devices, fingers, or hands during client care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • beyond the point in the nasal passages where they normally narrow, • beyond the pharynx, • beyond the opening of the urethra, • beyond the labia majora, • beyond the anal verge, or • into an artificial opening into the body 	<p>No change in practice – If educated and competent to perform, you may continue to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Some examples of this restricted activity include urinary catheterization; ostomy care; endotracheal suctioning; enema administration; and insertion of a rectal or vaginal suppository, an otoscope, or a nasogastric tube.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 3 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – No additional education is needed because education for this restricted activity is well incorporated in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta.</p>
<p>Inserting liquid under pressure, into the ear canal, for the purpose of removing wax from ears (ear syringing)</p>	<p>No change in practice – If educated and competent to perform, you may continue to perform this restricted activity provided an authorized practitioner is onsite and available to provide assistance. This means you may practice with indirect supervision, at minimum.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 12 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to perform ear syringing are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. Ear syringing will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to perform ear syringing. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on ear syringing available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have ear syringing education as part of their diploma program.</p>
<p>Administering diagnostic imaging contrast agents</p>	<p>No change in practice – An LPN is authorized to administer diagnostic imaging contrast agents with direction from an authorized practitioner under indirect supervision. An LPN must ensure that an authorized practitioner is on site and available to provide assistance.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p>



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	<p>For more information please see Standard 13 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to administer diagnostic imaging contrast agents are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The administration of diagnostic imaging contrast agents will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to administer diagnostic imaging contrast agents. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on administering diagnostic imaging contrast agents available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on administering diagnostic imaging contrast agents as part of their diploma program.</p>
<p>Administering nitrous oxide for the purposes of anesthesia or sedation</p>	<p>No change in practice – If educated and competent to perform, you may continue to perform this restricted activity if an authorized practitioner, who is authorized to administer nitrous oxide, is onsite and available to provide <i>immediate</i> assistance.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 14 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to administer nitrous oxide are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The administration of nitrous oxide will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to administer nitrous oxide. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on administering diagnostic imaging contrast agents available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on administering nitrous oxide as part of their diploma program.</p>



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<p>Administering anything by invasive procedure on body tissue below the dermis for the purpose of administering medications by injection and starting a peripheral intravenous (IV) line</p>	<p>Revised language in the regulation, no change in practice – This clarifies that LPNs are authorized to start a peripheral IV line and administer IV medications and injections.</p> <p>LPNs who have current education and are competent in this practice are authorized to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Note, the administration of medication into a central venous line (central venous catheter, peripherally inserted central catheter, or an implanted venous access device) is a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization (see below).</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 4 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <hr/> <p>Education – No additional education is needed because education for these restricted activities is well incorporated in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta.</p>
<p>Administering vaccines for the purpose of providing immunizations where the recipient of the immunization is 5 years of age or older</p>	<p>Revised in regulation, practice change – Immunization no longer references the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. employer has immunization protocols in place 2. an authorized practitioner is available for consultation while administration is being performed. <p>Immunization no longer requires Registrar authorization and authorization will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>Prior to the 2020 LPN Regulation amendments, administering a vaccine was an LPN specialty practice and was required to be listed on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 5 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <hr/> <p>Education</p> <p>If an LPN had a previous Immunization Specialty on their practice permit:</p> <p>A currently practicing LPN who completed the approved education and had the immunization specialty on their permit, may continue to administer vaccines without the need for further education or training.</p> <p>If an LPN did <i>not</i> have a previous Immunization Specialty on their practice permit:</p> <p>An LPN must take additional training or education prior to administering immunizations to clients 5 years or older. The CLPNA has a module on</p>



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	<p>administering immunizations available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on administering immunizations as part of their diploma program.</p>
<p>Performing a psychosocial intervention with an expectation of treating a substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, orientation, or memory that grossly impairs</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> judgment, behaviour, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life <p>as a member of a multi-disciplinary team</p>	<p>Revised language in regulation, no change in practice – Clarified language used to define psychosocial interventions and supervision requirements.</p> <p>LPNs are authorized to perform a psychosocial intervention as a member of a multi-disciplinary team under direction from an authorized practitioner who is available for consultation. This means an LPN may practice with indirect remote supervision, at minimum.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 15 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – No additional education is needed because education for this restricted activity is well incorporated in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta.</p>
<p>Administering blood and blood products</p>	<p>Practice change – LPNs with entry-level education and competencies may <i>administer</i> blood or blood products.</p> <p>LPNs without education specific to the administration of blood or blood products are required to take additional training or education prior to administering blood or blood products. This education is only required if the LPN is going to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 6 in <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to administer blood or blood products are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The administration of blood or blood products will be fully integrated into practical nurse entry-level diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to administer blood or blood products. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on administering blood or blood products available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta</p>



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<p>Applying non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging</p>	<p>beginning in June 2022 will have education on administering blood or blood products as part of their diploma program.</p> <p>Practice change – LPNs with previous education or training on using point-of-care ultrasound imaging are authorized perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standards 9 and 10 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to apply non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The application of non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging will be fully integrated into practical nurse entry-level diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to apply non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on applying non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on applying non-ionizing radiation in ultrasound imaging as part of their diploma program.</p>
<p>Applying non-ionizing radiation to a fetus for the purpose of fetal heart rate monitoring</p>	<p>Practice change – The LPN’s role in applying ultrasound to a fetus focuses on performing point-of-care nursing assessments and carrying out nursing care. Their role is to collaborate with the health care practitioner who is responsible for the care of the client.</p> <p>LPNs who currently care for clients and use manual auscultation for fetal heart rate monitoring may continue to perform this procedure because it is not a restricted activity.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required for the restricted activity and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 11 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to apply non-ionizing radiation to a fetus are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The application of non-ionizing radiation to a fetus will be fully integrated into practical nurse entry-level diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or</p>



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	<p>education to apply non-ionizing radiation to a fetus. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on applying non-ionizing radiation to fetus available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on applying non-ionizing radiation in to a fetus as part of their diploma program.</p>
<p>Dispensing schedule I or II drugs (medication)</p>	<p>Practice change – LPNs are only authorized to dispense medications incidental to the practice of practical nursing. LPNs do not have full dispensing authority like that of pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.</p> <p>Examples of when an LPN may dispense medications include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing a client specific prescribed medication to the client for the client to take while on a facility “pass”; • provide a client with a small amount of “bridge” medication until the client can fill the prescription at a pharmacy; and • providing a client with specific prescribed medication as part of outpatient treatment programs. <p>A list of permitted drugs an LPN may administer is included in Appendix C of the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Additional authorization is not required and will not be noted on the practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 8 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Related competencies to dispense medication are included in practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. The dispensing of medication will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta for graduates beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta prior to June 2022 or from another jurisdiction may require additional training or education to dispense medication. Some LPNs may receive this training through their employers or through on-the-job training. Additionally, the CLPNA has a module on dispensing medication available to members at no cost. This module can be found on the CLPNA website.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated from a practical nurse diploma program in Alberta beginning in June 2022 will have education on administering blood or blood products as part of their diploma program.</p>



Restricted Activities Requiring Advanced Authorization

Certain restricted activities require advanced training or education and authorization by the Registrar prior to the LPN performing them.

The advanced authorization application is the process by which an LPN may obtain authorization to perform the restricted activities found in the table below. Up to date information about the process of applying for advanced authorization can be found on the CLPNA website.

Restricted Activity Requiring Advanced Authorization	Practice and Education Requirements
Cutting a body tissue, administering anything by an invasive procedure on body tissue, or performing surgical or other invasive procedures on body tissue below the dermis for the purpose of removing a corn or callus as part of the provision of foot care	<p>Minor change in practice- removing a corn or callus is a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of advanced foot care who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN's practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 19 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialty noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>
Cutting a body tissue, administering anything by an invasive procedure on body tissue or performing surgical or other invasive procedures on body tissue below the dermis under direction of an authorized practitioner who is performing surgery	<p>Minor change in practice– performing surgical procedures under direction of an authorized practitioner who is performing surgery is a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of perioperative nursing who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN's practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 21 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialty noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>
Setting or resetting a fracture of a bone for the purpose of inserting and removing orthopedic devices and applying casts	<p>Minor change in practice – Setting or resetting a fracture of a bone is a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of orthopedic nursing who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform this restricted activity.</p>



Restricted Activity Requiring Advanced Authorization	Practice and Education Requirements
	<p>Authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 23 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialty noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>
<p>Inserting or removing instruments, devices, fingers, or hands into an artificial opening into the body for the purpose of performing hemodialysis</p>	<p>Minor change in practice – Inserting or removing instruments, devices, fingers, or hands into an artificial opening into the body for the purpose of performing hemodialysis is classified as a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of dialysis who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform this restricted activity.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 16 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialty noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education. LPNs receive this approved education through their employer.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>
<p>Administering medication by an invasive procedure on body tissue below the dermis for the purpose of administering medication into a central venous line, peripherally inserted central catheter, or an implanted venous access device</p>	<p>Revised language in regulation, clarification in practice – Administering medication into a central venous line (CVC), peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC), or an implanted venous access device (IVAD) is <i>clarified</i> as a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs who currently care for clients receiving medication via CVC, PICC, or IVAD may continue to care for these patients outside of medication administration, without additional training.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 17 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p>



Restricted Activity Requiring Advanced Authorization	Practice and Education Requirements
	<p>Education – Administering medication into a CVC, PICC, or IVAD is a restricted activity that will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. All LPN graduates in Alberta will have received sufficient education and training beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated in Alberta prior to June 2022 are required to take the CLPNA module to obtain advanced authorization to administer medication via CVC, PICC, or IVAD.</p> <p>This module is available on the CLPNA website. Upon successful completion of the CLPNA module authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit. An employer may request proof of education.</p>
Administering parenteral nutrition	<p>Practice change – Administering parenteral nutrition is a restricted activity requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs who currently care for clients receiving parenteral nutrition may continue to do so, without additional training, provided they do not <i>administer</i>.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 18 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – Administering parenteral nutrition is a restricted activity that will be fully integrated into practical nurse diploma programs in Alberta. All LPN graduates in Alberta will have received sufficient education and training beginning in June 2022.</p> <p>LPNs who graduated in Alberta prior to June 2022 are required to take the CLPNA module to obtain advanced authorization to administer parenteral nutrition.</p> <p>This module is available on the CLPNA website. Upon successful completion of the CLPNA module authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit. An employer may request proof of education.</p>



Areas of Advanced Practice Requiring Advanced Authorization

The following areas of advanced practice require advanced training or education. These areas are no longer referred to as “specialties” and are referred to as “advanced practice” and they require advanced authorization by the Registrar.

The advanced authorization application is the process by which an LPN may obtain authorization to perform the areas of advanced practice found in the table below. Up to date information about the process of applying for advanced authorization can be found on the CLPNA website.

Area of Advanced Practice Requiring Advanced Authorization	Practice and Education Requirements
<p>Advanced Practice Foot Care</p>	<p>Minor change in practice- Advance foot care is no longer referred to as a specialty. It is now referred to as an advanced practice requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of advanced foot care who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform in this area.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 20 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialty noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>
<p>Advanced Practice Perioperative Nursing</p>	<p>Minor change in practice – Perioperative nursing is no longer referred to as a specialty. It is now referred to as an advanced practice requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of perioperative nursing who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform in this area.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 22 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialization noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>



Area of Advanced Practice Requiring Advanced Authorization	Practice and Education Requirements
<p>Advanced Practice Orthopedic Nursing</p>	<p>Minor change in practice – Advanced orthopedic nursing is no longer referred to as a specialty. It is now referred to as advanced practice requiring advanced authorization.</p> <p>LPNs with the previous specialty of advanced orthopedic nursing who have it noted on their practice permit may continue to perform in this area.</p> <p>Authorization will appear on the LPN’s practice permit.</p> <p>For more information please see Standard 24 in the <i>Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice</i>.</p> <p>Education – LPNs who did not have the previous specialization noted on their practice permit are required to complete CLPNA approved advanced training or education.</p> <p>LPNs must submit proof of completion of advanced training or education to the Registrar with their application for advanced authorization.</p>

CONCLUSION Changes to the LPN Regulation are intended to improve healthcare efficiency and the quality of care for Albertans. LPNs should understand the practice and education requirements for restricted activities and areas of advanced practice. Further details can be found in the *Standards of Practice on Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice*.

If after reading this document you have questions about practice and education requirements for restricted activities and areas of advanced practice, please contact the CLPNA’s Practice Team via email at practice@clpna.com, or by phone at 780-484-8886 or 1-800-661-5877 (toll free in Alberta).