



CLPNA EXAM WRITING WORKSHOP

The College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta (CLPNA) has partnered with the Touchstone Institute to develop an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) to assess the competence of Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) entering into practice in Alberta through non-traditional methods.

Opportunity for Involvement

The OSCE development will include building scenarios and developing multiple-choice questions.

20 Subject Matter Experts (SME) from across Alberta are needed to join the Item Generation Team (IGT) for this important work. If this sounds like an opportunity you'd be interested in, we encourage you to submit your application to serve on the team. The initial work starts **November 2nd, 2021 and runs through November 5, 2021.**

About the CLPNA

The CLPNA is the professional regulatory body for Licensed Practical Nurses. The CLPNA sets and maintains standards for entry-to-practice requirements, establishing, promoting, and enforcing standards of registration, practice, and conducts for LPNs. The CLPNA is responsible to govern the LPN profession in a manner that protects and serves the public.

About the Touchstone Institute

Touchstone Institute is a non-profit corporation that offers expertise in developing assessments to evaluate the competencies of health professionals educated both internationally and in Canada. Working with regulators, practitioners, educators, and governments to promote public confidence in professional competence in the Canadian workforce.

What does the Workshop entail?

During the item-writing workshop, Touchstone Institute staff will orient all SMEs on the development, review, and revisions of items as well as answer any questions prior to the Workshop.

To ensure safety of participants during the pandemic, the method by which the workshop will be run is dependent on health restrictions and trends in Alberta, and the decision will be made closer to the workshop date.

- In-Person: Touchstone Institute will facilitate and determine the location.
- Online: Workshops will be conducted using Zoom conference application.



Regardless of whether the workshop will be conducted in-person or in a virtual setting, participants will be supported by Touchstone's staff.

SME's Duties:

- Successfully complete a self-directed online pre-workshop training;
- Participate in Online or In-person item-writing workshops;
- Incorporate relevant and applicable recommendations and finalize items; and
- Comply with Touchstone Institute confidentiality and test security policies and maintain it at all times.

SME Required Commitment

- Pre-workshop Time: For the pre-workshop training, 2 hours of independent online training will be required.
- Workshop Time: For the workshop a maximum of four days (8 hours in a day) of item-writing and review between November 2nd to 5th, 2021 will be required.

Location: Remote Online or In-Person (to be determined)

Eligibility

Candidates must meet the conditions for eligibility:

- Minimum of three (3) years as a practicing LPN and/or as a practical nurse educator in Alberta;
- Clear of any perceived conflict of interest (i.e., not involved in Council and/or committees of the College within the last two years);
- Comfortable with the use of online technology for collaboration (i.e., virtual meetings, online training, online file sharing);
- Comfortable participating and collaborating in online group discussions;
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills including ability to use and identify accurate grammar, syntax, practical nurse terminology and clear language.

Remuneration: Remuneration and expenses will be covered in accordance with CLPNA policies.

To Apply: Please click on the following link to complete a survey and submit your resume.

[Click here to complete Survey](#)

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact the CLPNA's Human Resources team recruitment@clpna.com

****The closing date for applications is September 26th, 2021, at 11:59 pm. ****