Frequently Asked Questions

What is my home College?

Your home College is where you hold your Regular licence and, is in the province where you practice primarily.

What Atlantic College should I contact to opt-in to the Atlantic Registry?

You must opt in with your home College.

When should I expect confirmation from all Atlantic Colleges?

All four Atlantic Colleges are committed to processing Atlantic Registry applications as soon as possible. Please allow at least 10 business days before following up, recognizing that this is a new process and there may be an influx of applications at the outset.

What other steps do I need to take to start practising in the other Atlantic provinces?

Once you obtain licensure in the other Atlantic provinces you will be responsible for obtaining the appropriate credentials/privileges in the provinces where you intend to practise. This includes contacting the Canadian Medical Protective Association and adding coverage for any province where you will be practising. This information will be provided to you by the College in the Atlantic province where you intend to practice.

If you want to practice under your professional corporation, you must register your professional corporation with the College where you wish to practice.

Who do I contact if I intend to move my primary place of practice to another Atlantic province?

Please contact your home College.

It is important that information is updated as soon as possible to ensure you are completing your annual renewal with the appropriate College.

How do I renew my license on the Atlantic Registry?

When you renew your licence with your home College, your licence in the other Atlantic provinces will be automatically renewed, provided you continue to meet the requirements of the Atlantic Registry.

How do I opt-out of the Atlantic Registry?

Please submit a request to opt-out of the Atlantic Registry in writing to your home College.

My main practice is outside of the Atlantic provinces but I want to opt-in to the Atlantic Register, am I eligible?

No; licensure on this Registry requires that your primary practice take place in an Atlantic province.

How will be data be shared between the Atlantic Colleges?

Your data will be shared through a secure online platform.

What will happen if I am the subject of a complaint?

Complaints will be adjudicated by the Atlantic College where the patient encounter took place. Information related to any complaints initiated while you are licensed on the Atlantic Registry will be shared amongst all Atlantic Colleges.

Can I provide virtual care by opting in to the Atlantic Registry?

Yes. Physicians may provide virtual care by opting into the Atlantic Registry, as long as they have received confirmation of licensure in the province where the patient resides and have obtained required privileges and malpractice insurance.

