



# NEW Perioperative OR Standards for LPNs

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The Canadian Council of Practical Nurse Regulators (CCPNR) announces the release of **Standards of Practice and Competencies for Perioperative Licensed Practical Nurses (CCPNR, 2010)**.

The document is designed to identify the desired and achievable level of performance expected of perioperative Licensed Practical Nurses in Canada to nurses, the public, government, and other stakeholders. In addition, the document can provide direction in the development of policies and procedures in the practice environment.

The Standards of Practice and Competencies for Perioperative Licensed Practical Nurses reflect the following components of professional practice in the perioperative setting:

- Self-Regulation and Accountability
- Specialized Body of Knowledge
- Utilization of the Nursing Process in Perioperative Care
- Collaboration
- Advocacy
- Leadership

Perioperative LPNs practise in a variety of settings including: ambulatory settings, surgeon's offices and clinics, and hospital operating room suites. The Standards are broad in scope in order to encompass the scrub role and circulating role, which include assisting the anesthesia provider in all perioperative settings.

Standards of Practice and Competencies for Perioperative Licensed Practical Nurses is available from the CCPNR at [www.ccpnr.ca](http://www.ccpnr.ca).



The CCPNR is a federation of provincial and territorial members who are identified in legislation, and responsible for the safety of the public through the regulation of Licensed Practical Nurses. Member jurisdictions in 2010 include: British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Labrador.