

Manitoba Naturopathic Association - Action Plan

In response to the recommendation made by the Fair Registration Practices Office, the Manitoba Naturopathic Association committed to the following action plan in March 2023:

Recommendation	Action	Anticipated Completion Date	Status Update
<p>1. Implement assessment opportunities for internationally educated naturopaths from non-CMNE accredited naturopathic programs. Introduce clear and accurate information about this assessment possibility on MNA's website.</p>	<p>As a very small regulatory body with fifty members, the MNA's budget and staff resources are not conducive for the creation of an effective and timely PLAR program.</p> <p>The College of Naturopaths of Ontario (CONO) has a long-standing Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) program for internationally educated applicants. It allows IEAs to be assessed with the same objective competency criteria as all applicants, regardless of where they received their naturopathic training. Through the PLAR assessment process, applicants are asked to demonstrate their level of knowledge, skills and judgment in naturopathy to determine their readiness to practise safely, competently and ethically.</p> <p>CONO has agreed to the creation of a Memorandum of Understanding between Manitoba and Ontario to allow Manitoba IEAs to have their qualifications assessed by CONO PLAR program. The first step is draft a Memorandum of Understanding for approval by both regulatory bodies.</p>	<p>June 1, 2023</p>	<p>Completed</p>