

Add the following new definitions to section 1.0:

“nurses’ professional association” means

- (a) the Canadian Nurses Association,
- (b) the Association of Registered Nurses of British Columbia,
- (c) the British Columbia Nurse Practitioner Association, or
- (d) another health profession association as defined in section 1 of the Act or similar organization, other than a nurses’ union, whose members are registrants or persons registered or licensed for the practice of nursing in another jurisdiction, and whose purposes or objects include the promotion of the interests of its members;

“nurses’ union” means

- (a) a trade union as defined in section 1 of the *Labour Relations Code* (British Columbia),
- (b) a union as defined in section 1 of the *Public Service Labour Relations Act* (British Columbia),
- (c) a trade union as defined in section 3(1) of the *Canada Labour Code* (Canada), or
- (d) an employee organization as defined in section 2(1) of the *Public Service Labour Relations Act* (Canada)

that bargains collectively on behalf of a unit that includes registrants employed in their professional capacity as nurses, and includes a nurses’ union’s national union;

Amend section 1.03 as follows:

Eligibility for election to the board

- 1.03** (1) Subject to subsections (2) to (7), the following classes of registrants are eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act:
- (a) registered nurse registrants;
 - (b) nurse practitioner registrants;
 - (c) grandparented nurse practitioner registrants.
- (2) To be eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act, a registrant must be in good standing, and must ordinarily reside in British Columbia.
- (3) To be eligible to be elected to hold office as a rural elected board member, an urban elected board member, or an at-large elected board member, respectively, a registrant must deliver a signed declaration to the registrar certifying that the

registrant elects to stand for election to the applicable office in accordance with section 1.06(2)(c).

- (4) An elected board member is not eligible to be elected to another office as an elected board member with an overlapping term of office in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act, unless he or she resigns his or her existing office as an elected board member at the time he or she submits his or her nomination for the other office.
- (5) A registrant is not eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act if he or she is employed by the college, unless he or she files with the registrar a written agreement to resign his or her employment with the college if elected as an elected board member.
- (5.1) A registrant is not eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act if he or she
 - (a) is a director or officer of a nurses' professional association,
 - (b) is a director or officer of a nurses' union, or holds another governance position, including a regional, component or local representative position, in a nurses' union, or
 - (c) is a member of a collective bargaining negotiation committee for a nurses' union, or is employed by a nurses' union to participate in collective bargaining,

unless he or she files with the registrar a written agreement to resign his or her disqualifying position if elected as an elected board member.
- (6) A registrant who is not in good standing is not eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act.
- (7) An elected board member who has held office for a consecutive period of six years or more is not eligible to be elected in an election under section 17(3)(a) of the Act until at least one year has passed since expiry of the member's most recent term of office.

Amend section 1.09 as follows:

Removal of elected board member

- 1.09** (1) An elected board member ceases to hold office as an elected board member if he or she
- (a) ceases to be a registered nurse registrant, nurse practitioner registrant or grandparented nurse practitioner registrant in good standing,
 - (b) ceases to be a resident of British Columbia,

- (c) becomes an employee of the college,
 - (c.1) is elected or appointed to, or becomes employed in, a disqualifying position with a nurses' professional association or nurses' union described in section 1.03(5.1),
 - (d) resigns from office as an elected board member, or
 - (e) dies.
- (2) An elected board member may be removed from office as an elected board member
- (a) by resolution of the board passed by at least two-thirds of the board members voting on the resolution, in accordance with section 17.11(5) of the Act, or
 - (b) by special resolution of the registrants in good standing in attendance at a general meeting of the college.