

NSCP UPDATE

February 10, 2014

2014 Registration Renewals and new members continue to grow and as of January 1, 2014 we have:

Jan 1/13	Jan1/14	Category
34	28	Members Non Practicing (NPLOA)
07	07	Members Practicing outside NS
21	19	Members Practicing (Administration)
25	40	Members Practicing (Sponsored)
10	10	Members Practicing (Teaching/Research)
03	03	Members Practicing (Clinical Speciality)
<u>565</u>	<u>583</u>	Members Practicing
<u>665</u>	<u>690</u>	On the Register

Registration Now Open for March 22, 2014 AGM and Professional Development Day

The Nova Scotia Physiotherapy Association (NSPA) and the Nova Scotia College of Physiotherapists (NSCP) extend a warm welcome to the province's physiotherapists to join us for the NSCP and NSPA Annual General Meetings, professional development, and Annual NSPA Exhibit and Job Fair, taking place on:

Date: Saturday, March 22, 2014

Location: Sobey Building at Saint Mary's University.

Time: 8:30 am for the NSCP AGM

The NSCP AGM begins at 8:30 am followed by the NSPA AGM, lunch/Exhibit, and workshop. All are free for members of the College and/or Association, however, advance registration is required.

To register, or if you have any questions, please contact Jeff Kelly, Executive Director at:

jfkelly@physiotherapyns.ca

902-790-2190

Reminder:

New Address: Please be advised that the NSCP has changed its mailing address to:

Nova Scotia College of Physiotherapists

PO Box 309, Dartmouth Main

Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3Y5

All other contact points, e.g. phone numbers, email addresses etc remain as before.

NSCP Website Update: The NSCP website was updated over the past weeks in stages. On January 30, 2014 the Membership list was updated for the **tenth** time since January 1, 2014. That is because as we make a change to the members data base on either a members Classification or Employer we immediately upload this new information to the NSCP Website. Therefore it is our hope that the website member information is **always current**. Please review your information and report any problems to Pat at: office@nsphysio.com

2013 and 2014 Portfolio Review Stats

In 2013 there were 120 Candidates

4 candidates were moved to 2014 (mat leaves and illnesses)

115 completed on time.

In 2014 there are 115 Candidates

As of Feb 1st all but one has acknowledged receipt of the information email sent from the NSCP office

Three candidates have been reassigned to 2015 (Maternity leaves)

Twenty physiotherapists have already completed the Jurisprudence Exam

Two completed Portfolios have been received at the office

Onsite Practice Assessment Update: We are moving ahead this year with the onsite assessments. The Registrar has held one training session so far and it was attended by one assessor from the CDHA area. The Registrar has also made arrangements to do individual sessions for two other assessors and hopes to do a Cape Breton session within the next month or so (Weather permitting). The plan is to get at least five onsite practice assessments done in the CDHA area and hopefully another five in Cape Breton in the spring, make any amendments based on feedback, and roll out in full force in the fall. The Peer Assessment Committee is aiming for a minimum of six active assessors and would like to have a bank of 8-10. It is the Peer Assessments Committees hope that all clinics will be assessed once every five years.

Each Assessor gets a package/folder containing a laminated identification card, hard copies of the Assessor's version of the Professional Practice Standards, the QPP-PA (Quality Practice Program-Practice Assessment) Guidelines for Onsite Reviews, QPP-PA Onsite Assessment Tool, Pre –Assessment

questionnaire (for information only as this is sent from the office), Site Evaluation Form for site feedback, Assessor's Evaluation Form for feedback, and the Assessor's Report Form. Also in the package is a USB drive with a copy of each of the documents for them to print off as they need them.

The Assessor's Report Form is the document that comes back to the Peer Assessment committee for review and recommendation. It will be consistent in format and therefore should be easier to review. The Assessors are reminded to keep it objective and factual. It is essential that these two bodies (assessors and committee) be separate and distinct so that there is no perception of conflict or bias in the rendering of the final decision. The Reports will come to this committee with all identifiers removed so that there will be no prejudice based on knowledge of clinic, clinic owner, staff or Assessor.