

Evaluating Clinicians' Experience per Section 26.1(1)(d)

Policy Statement

School clinician experience in Manitoba will be recognized if it is earned while holding a school clinician certificate. Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (the "department") will recognize a school clinician applicant's experience prior to being issued a certificate under specific conditions and for a limited period of time, according to s. 26.1(1)(d) of the Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation (the "regulation").

Definitions

60 days is 60 calendar days.

Academic requirements are the required coursework necessary for graduation with an approved degree.

Approved degree is a degree, diploma, or certificate linked to the area of knowledge or clinical practice described at s. 17 of the regulation and issued by an appropriate faculty of an approved post-secondary institution.

Approved employer is a school, institution, educational organization, or adult learning centre recognized by the department (e.g., public schools, funded independent schools).

Manitoba certificate is a school clinician certificate issued by the Director of Certification.

School clinician qualification is the minimum qualification (i.e., academic requirements) for the issuance of a school clinician certificate, described under s. 17 of the regulation for each clinician's area of knowledge and/or clinical practice.

School year is the period from July 1st to June 30th the following year.

Application

The department will recognize experience for a school clinician certificate from applicants who are hired by approved employers following the completion of school clinician qualifications before they have been issued a school clinician certificate.

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To have such experience recognized, the school clinician certification applicant who is **awaiting graduation** must

- have met their school clinician qualifications (i.e., completed academic requirements, membership at college or association)
- start their employment with an approved employer
- submit, within 60 days of the start of their employment, their certification application to the Professional Certification Unit (PCU) and receive acknowledgement from PCU that all required documents have been received and that they are in the queue for evaluation, **while waiting** for their final transcript showing their degree as awarded
- submit their final transcript within 60 days of their graduation date

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The school clinician certificate applicant who **has graduated** and is awaiting school clinician certification in Manitoba must

- have met their school clinician qualifications (i.e., graduated and hold membership with their college or association)
- start their employment with an approved employer
- submit, within 60 days of the start of their employment, their certification application to PCU and receive acknowledgement from PCU that all required documents have been received and that they are in the queue for evaluation

For Greater Clarity

- No current or future experience will be recognized if the application and all required documents are not received within the 60-day period past graduation or start of employment, whichever is applicable.

Reference

[Teaching Certificates and Qualifications Regulation, M.R. 115/2015](#), s. 26.1(1)(d):

Recognized experience: school clinicians

26.1(1) A person may be credited with recognized experience if one or more of the following apply:

(d) before receiving a school clinician's certificate under Part 2, but after having met the requirements to be issued one under section 17, the person is employed for the applicable time in an approved school, institution or educational organization as a school clinician, but only if the person is issued their certificate within 60 days after meeting the requirements or starting their employment, whichever occurs first.

Authorization

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