

National Newcomer Navigation Network

Promoting optimal employment for IEHPS

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N4's Dual Mandate

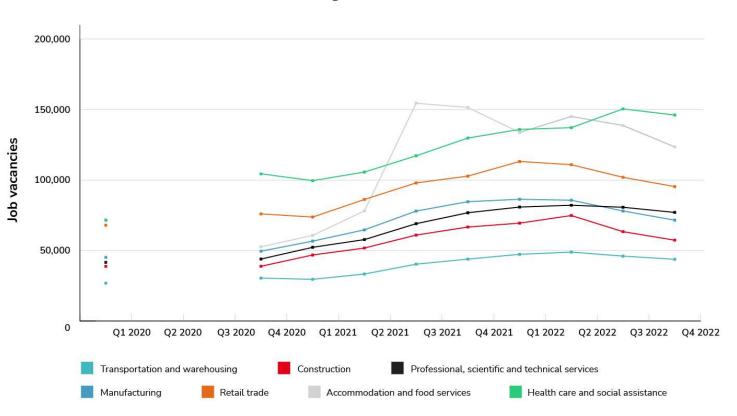






Canada's Health Human Resource Crisis

- Immigrants make up 23% of RNs, 35% of nurse aides and other nursing occupations, and 36% of physicians.[1]
- In January 2023, 162,100 healthcare and social assistance jobs in Canada were unfilled, two thirds in nursing roles (nurse aides, orderlies, PSAs, RNs, RPNs and LPNs)[2]
- Half of Canadians lack access to a family physician (33% can't see one within a week, 17% don't have one)



Job vacancies by sector, Q3 2019 to Q3 2022

Source: Government of Canada, Job vacancies, payroll employees, and job vacancy rate by industry sector, quarterly, adjusted for seasonality, September 19, 2023, https://open.canada.ca/data/en/dataset/76defa14-473e-41e2-abfa-60021c4d934b.



Nurses in Canada

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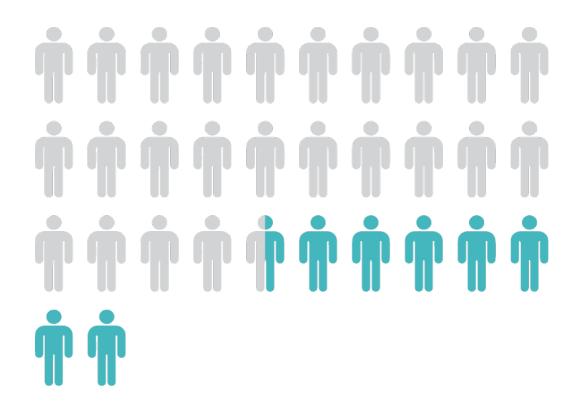
In December 2023, there were **52,000 RN/LPN vacancies**¹

2021 census showed there are 61,000 IENs not working as RNs/LPNs in Canada²

 [1] Statistics Canada. "Job vacancies, fourth quarter 2023", March 19, 2024 <u>https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/240319/dq240319b-eng.htm</u>
 [2] Statistics Canada. "Internationally Educated Health Care Professionals in Canada: Sociodemographic Characteristics and Occupational Distribution," August 23, 2023. <u>https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/36-28-0001/2023008/article/00004-eng.htm</u>



Family Physicians in Canada



2021 census showed there are 32,000 ITPs are not working as Physicians in Canada¹

The CMA's recommended target is **7,500 net-new family physicians within five years**, and 15,000 within 10.²

[1] Statistics Canada. "Job vacancies, fourth quarter 2023", March 19, 2024 <u>https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/240319/dq240319b-eng.htm</u>
 [2] CMA. "Why Canada's health system needs (a lot more) team-based care" July 23, 2024 <u>https://www.cma.ca/our-focus/workforce-planning/why-canadas-health-system-needs-lot-more-team-based-care</u>



Comparison of Physicians and Nurses Working and Working in their Trained Occupations, 2021

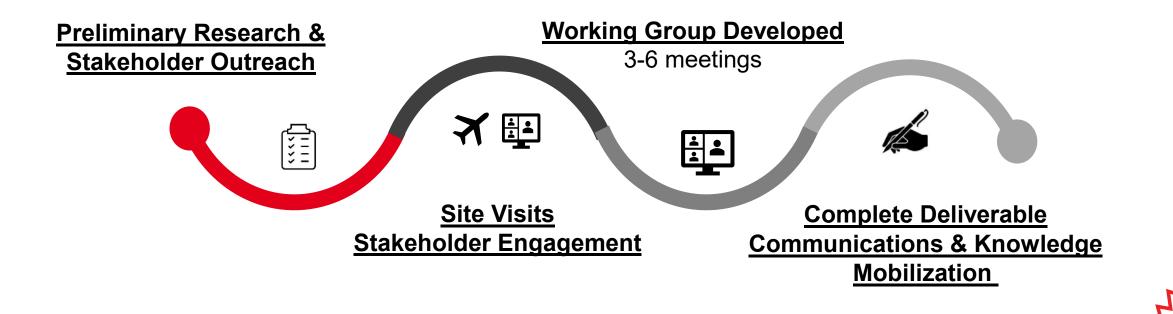


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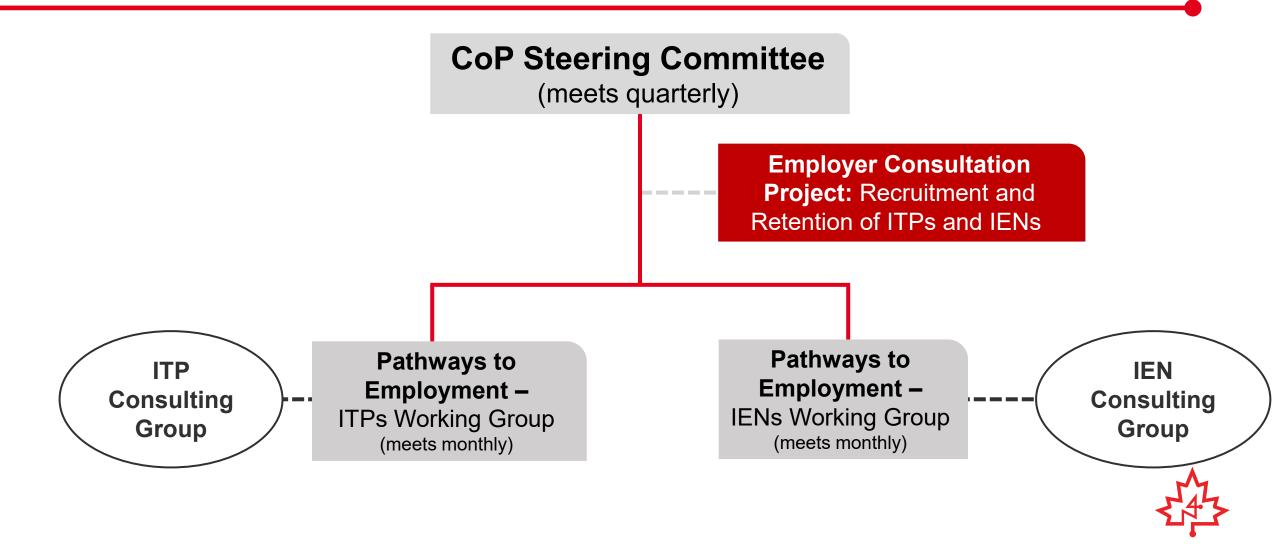


N4 Community of Practice Model

- Addresses the root causes of inequities for newcomers in accessing and experiencing health and social services
- Brings subject matter experts to **time-limited** tables to produce **evidence-based**, **outcome-driven**, **and impact-focused products**.

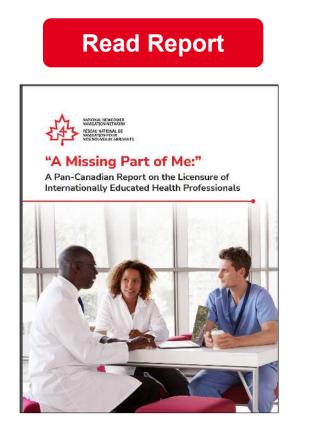


Community of Practice IEHP Structure





2023 IEHP CoP Products



Released February 2023



Released April 2023

Read Report



Released April 2023

IEN and ITP Recommendations

ITP RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Support currency of practice
- 2. Develop mid-career pathways to licensure
- 3. Improve and expand Practice Ready Assessment programs
- 4. Make return of service agreements equitable and voluntary
- 5. Ensure exams are timely, transparent and equitable
- 6. Enhance access to residency programs

ITP AND IEN RECOMMENDATIONS:

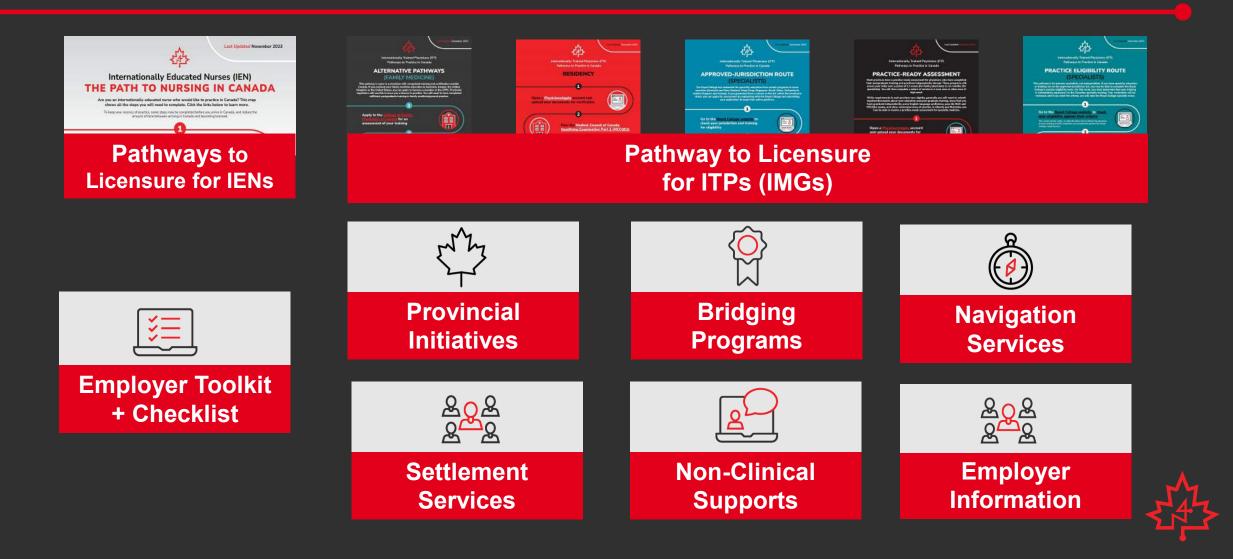
- 1. Enhance access to reliable information
- 2. Improve access to navigation support
- 3. Create a pan-Canadian health human resources policy
- 4. Develop accessible bridging programs
- 5. Make language proficiency tests consistent

ECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Optimize pre- arrival processes
- 2. Standardize the processes and
- requirements of
- licensure across the country
- 3. Streamline **credential**
- assessment processes
- 4. Expand pathways to practice



IEHP Resource Hub



IEN Pathway



Provincial Registration

A. The nursing college will tell you the next steps, including whether you need any additional training to become licensed in their province

B. Be prepared to undergo a language assessment

Each provincial regulator will ask for proof of your language ability. Their standards are binner than the standard for imminization. They accent IFLTS or CFL BAN results. Check t

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A. Submit the requested documents

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B. The advisory report will tell the nursing college whether your background matches their requirements or whether you need additional training to meet their requirements.

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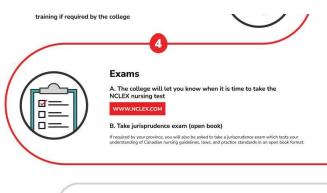


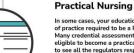
Exams A. The college will let you know when it is time to take the NCLEX nursing test WWW.NCLEX.COM

B. Take jurisprudence exam (open book)

If required by your province, you will also be asked to take a jurisprudence exam which tests your understanding of Canadian nursing guidelines, laws, and practice standards in an open book format







In some cases, your education might not match the scope of practice required to be a Registered Nurse in Canada.

Many credential assessment bodies will tell you if you are eligible to become a practical purse. Go to the link below to see all the regulators responsible for licensing practical nurses in Canada.

INK: NURSE REGULATORS

Psychiatric Nursing

British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the Yukon Territory recognize Registered Psychiatric Nurses. First, review your eligibility at the regulator of your choice from the table below. Apply to the regulator, using NNAS as your credential assessment provider

You will then need to write the Registered Psychiatric Nurse of Canada Examination (RPNCE).





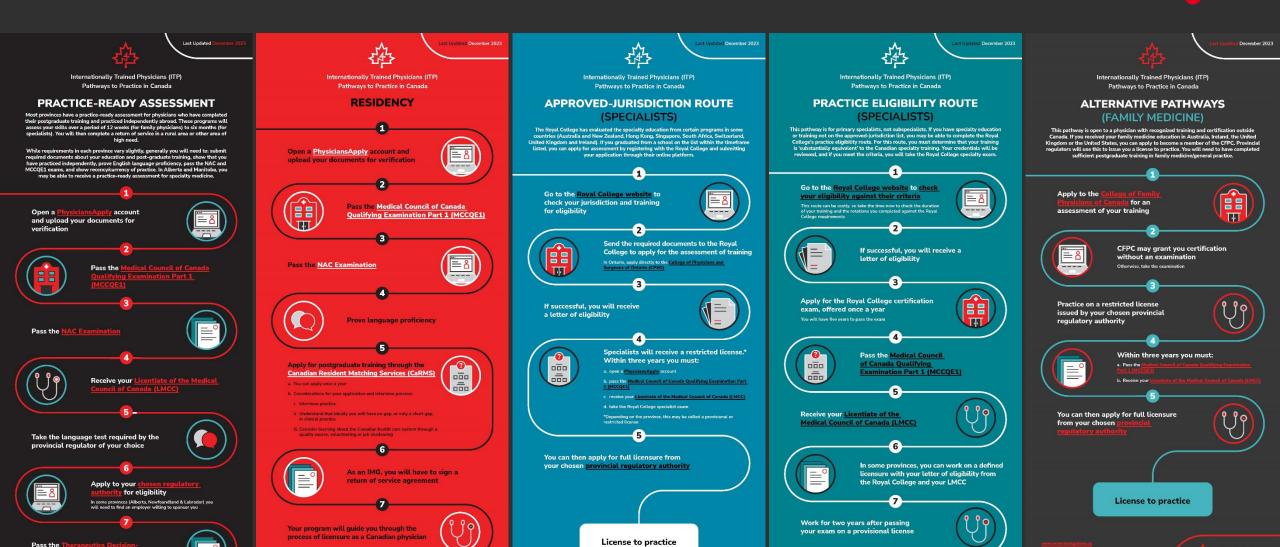


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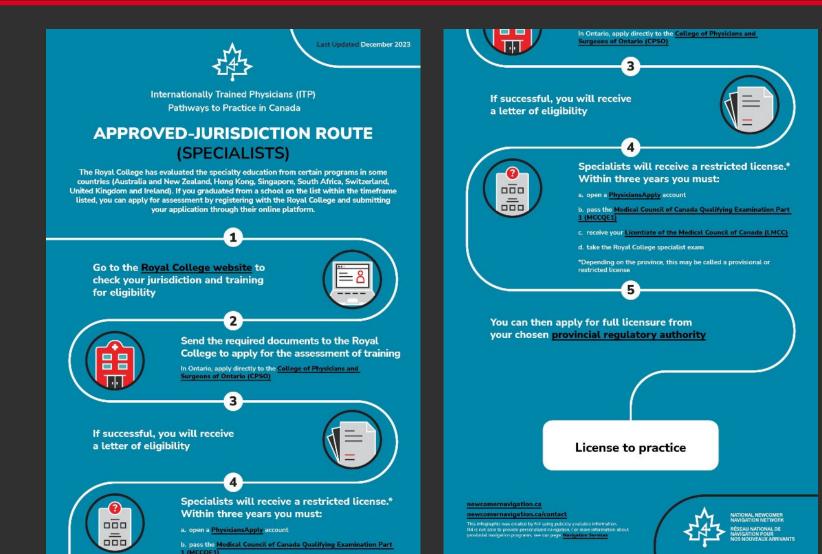
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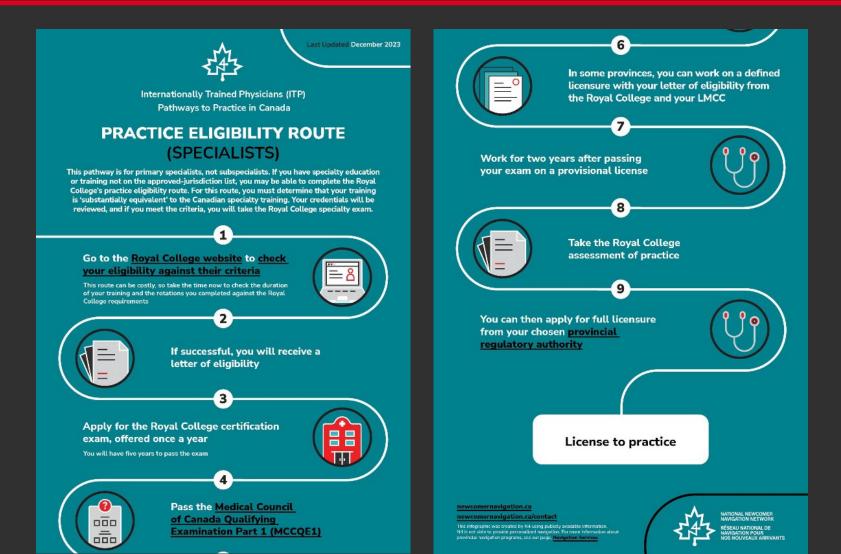
ITP Pathways



Approved Jurisdiction Route (Specialists)

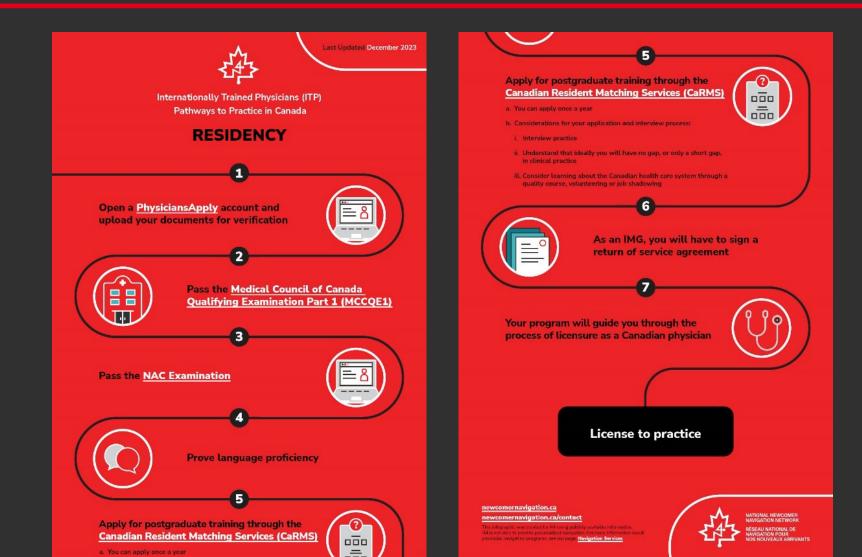


Practice Eligibility Route (Specialist)



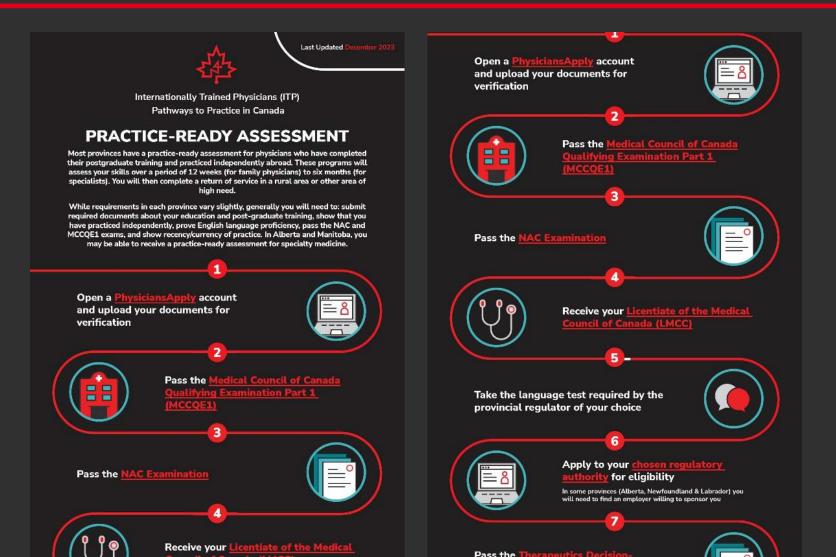


Residency Pathway

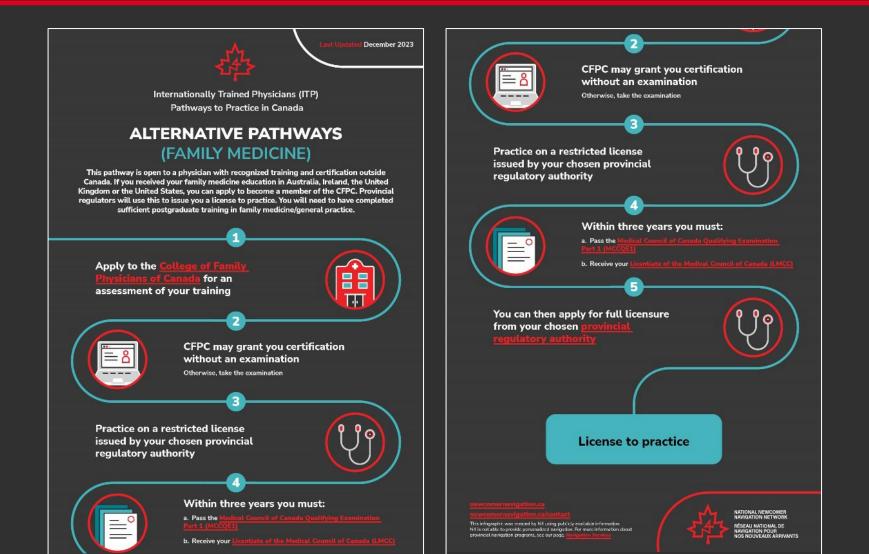




Practice Ready Assessment Pathway



Alternative Pathways





Curated Partner IEHP Resources

These resources support IEHPs along the pathway to optimal employment



Navigation Support



<u>F/P/T</u> Initiatives



Bridging Programs



Settlement Services



Non-Clinical Support



Employment Information



<u>Financial</u> Supports



IEHP-Led Groups



Mentorship



Navigation Services

Formal and trusted government funded navigation services.

Alberta	+
British Columbia	+
Manitoba	+
New Brunswick	*
Nova Scotia	*
Ontario	+
Saskatchewan	+



Federal, Provincial and Territorial Initiatives

Initiative opportunities provided by Canadian employers, healthcare organizations, and academic institutions to help Internationally Educated Health Care Professionals who must fill theoretical or practical gaps in their learning.

Nursing

British Columbia

HealthMatch Financial Supports

HealthMatchBC, the Province of British Columbia assists IENs pursuing nursing registration with the College of Nurses and Midwives with financial support through a combination of bursaries and fee waivers to offset the costs of an IEN's international credential assessment, English language testing, skill evaluation and educational upgrading. Financial supports for IENs range from \$400 to approximately \$16,000 depending on the assessments and/or upgrading required. In exchange for the fee waivers and bursary there is a 12 month Return of Service (ROS) agreement (or 24 months if the IEN prefers to work part-time).

Learn More	
Manitoba	+
Newfoundland and Labrador	+
Nova Scotia	+
Ontario	+
Saskatchewan	+



Bridging Programs

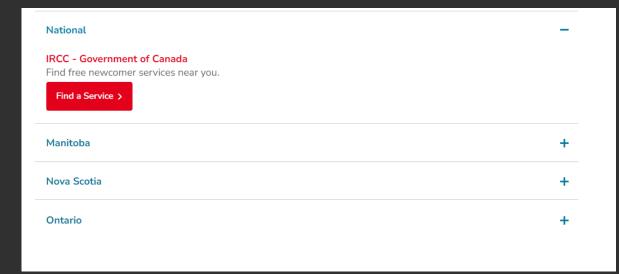
IEHPs may be required to complete a bridging program to address gaps and/or differences in education and competencies to register to practice in Canada and successfully integrate into the Canadian healthcare system. IEHPs should follow the regulators' instructions on which bridging program and courses to take. The following programs are for information only regarding which programs have been recommended by regulators.

New Brunswick	
Newfoundland and Labrador	н
Ontario	le le
Prince Edward Island (PEI)	4



Settlement Services

Settlement professionals are free and can help you look for a job get a language assessment, register for language classes, sign up your kids for school, and learn about community services.





Non-Clinical Support

These organizations provided support to gain non-clinical skills through training, mentorship, and peer-led supports.

CARE - Centre for Internationally Educated Nurses	+
N4 - National Newcomer Navigation Network	+



Employment Information

Nursing

List of websites with job openings within the healthcare sector in Canada, valuable for IEHPs upon receiving licensure to practice in Canada.

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Organization/Institution	Location	Link
HealthCareCAN	(National)	Open
Government of Canada	(National)	Open
Nursing Careers Canada	(National)	Open
Alberta Health Services	Alberta	Open
Nursing Jobs BC	British Columbia	Open
Manitoba Healthcare Providers Network	Manitoba	Open
Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	Manitoba	Open
Horizon Health Network	New Brunswick	Open
Department of Health and Community Services	Newfoundland and Labrador	Open
Registered Nurses Association	Northwest Territories, Nunavut	Open
Nova Scotia Health Authority (NSHA)	Nova Scotia	Open
Nunavut Nurses	Nunavut	Open
Nursing Careers Canada	Ontario	Open



Financial Supports

Financial support provided by organizations across Canada to help Internationally Educated Health Care Professionals who must fill theoretical or practical gaps in their learning.

All IEHPs	+
IEN - Internationally Educated Nurses	+



IEHP-Led Organizations

Initiatives provided by organizations across Canada to help Internationally Educated Health Care Professionals who must fill theoretical or practical gaps in their learning.

ITP (IMG) - Internationally Trained Physicians

IEN - Internationally Educated Nurses

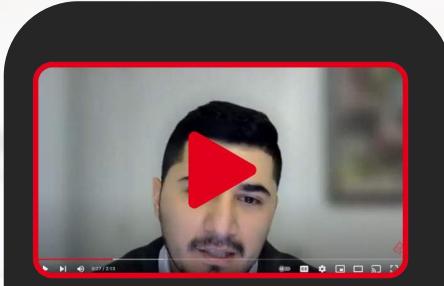


N4 / SPU IEHPs Online Program

Fostering Canadian Integration for Internationally Educated Health Professionals (IEHPs): From Learning to Action

Free (funded by IRCC) · Certificate of Attendance · Limited Spots · 100% Online · Circle of Support · Live Sessions (recorded for watching anytime, anywhere) **400+ candidates have completed this program!**

TO LEARN MORE: newcomernavigation.ca/iehp-program



As an ITP/IMG who successfully matched through CaRMS, Azeez shares invaluable insights on how the N4/SPU IEHP Online Program paved the way for his long-term success and seamless integration in Canada.

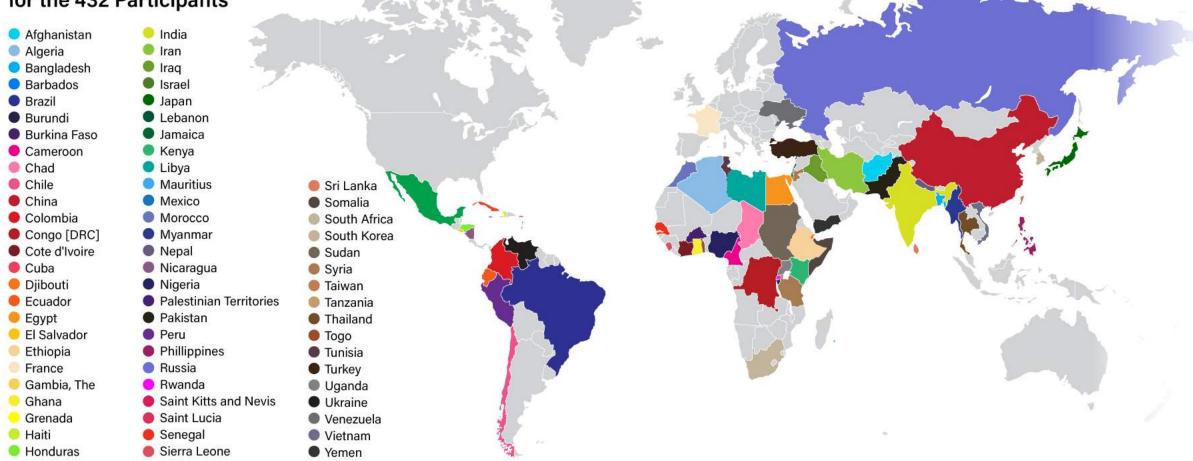
Fostering Canadian Integration for IEHPs: From Learning to Action

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ONLINE PROGRAM | 2022-2024

69 Countries of Origin for the 432 Participants



N4 IEHP Conversation Cafe

Internationally Educated Health Care Professional, let's continue the journey!

Dive into N4's IEHP Conversation Café, where connections flourish and knowledge blooms.

This is a fantastic opportunity to grow your network, share your experiences, learn about useful tools and resources, and engage in peer-to-peer support within our community.

TO LEARN MORE: <u>newcomernavigation.ca/conversation-cafe</u>





N4 Recorded Learning Events

Webinars

- 90+ Webinars Hosted
- Example of Topics
 - Interpersonal communication
 - Integration into the Canadian workplace
 - Hope and agency as an IEHP
 - o Building resiliance
 - Fostering community integration of IEHPs
 - o Indigenous health

Professional Development Series

- Three-part Professional Development Series on Trauma-Informed Care
- 3 workshops on Professional Boundaries for frontline Staff
- Ethicist-led Case-Based Learning Events



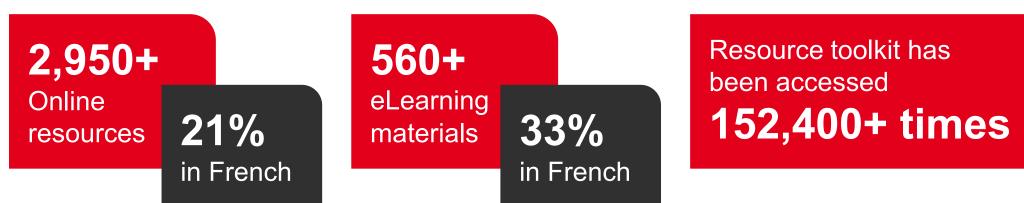
Resource & eLearning Libraries

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Digital libraries of curated resources and eLearning courses to enhance sector capacity in promoting newcomer equity

- Trusted content
- Enhance access / reduce duplication
- Just in Time / Self-Paced





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Are you an internationality trained Physician or Internationality Educated Nurse? Would you like to network with others who are working towards licensure in Canada? Could you assist N4 in developing tools and resources for professionals like you? Join our IBHPB: Convension Café today!



Member Story Featured Member

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Read More

New Members

Some of the cities and provinces our newest members come from, include:

Hatfrax NS: Toronto, CN: Ontario Northeast, CN: Regins, SX: Mosse Jaw, SX: Ottawa, ON: Kamloops, BC: Calgary, AB: Prince George, BC: Vinideer, ON: Seakaton, SX: Scarborough, ON: St. Catharines, ON: Sudbury, ON: North York, ON: Burnaby, BC: Fredericton, ND: Sydney, NS: Vancouver, BC - Vinidaro, ON: Winninge, MB:

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Monthly Newsletter

7,500+ Subscribers
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IEHP Newsletter

2,600+ Subscribers
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Other N4 Activities to Improve the Pathway for IEHPs

- Adding to the Hub
 - Financial supports
 - Peer-led support groups
 - Mentorship programs
 - Impact Stories
- Scorecards for Provincial Ministries of Health
- Briefing Notes for Regulators (Colleges)
- Working with the new Health Workforce Canada organization to ensure their work includes IENs
- Employer toolkit to recruit Canadian IENs working outside nursing roles, support them towards becoming nurses, and create a sense of belonging in the workplace
- N4 Quarterly Working Group meetings continue to advance change
- Consulting IEHPs via an email group



IEHP next steps ...

- 1. Sign up to be a member it's free!
- 2. Use our Hub to access the pathways and all the supports available to IEHPs
- 3. Sign up to the IEHP Newsletter, RSS News Feed
- 4. Access the continuous education offerings
- 5. Sign-up to be on our IEHP virtual consulting list
- 6. Consider signing up for our IEHP On-line Program
- 7. Don't give up! Canada needs IEHPs.



Become Involved



Watch our webinars Watch on-demand webinars, 100% free. <u>newcomernavigation.ca/webinars</u>



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Inventory of vetted knowledge hubs of organizations involved in the recruitment and retention of IEHPs.

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N4 Mobile App

Download on the App Store: newcomernavigation.ca/ios









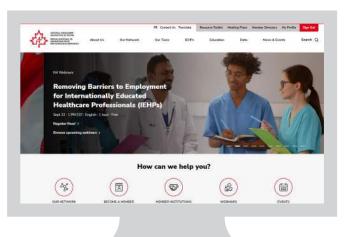
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