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FACT SHEET: ABOUT THE NP PRACTICE ANALYSIS

FACT #1: Each Jurisdiction Participated in the Development and Implementation of the NP Practice Analysis

The Canadian Council of Registered Nurse Regulators established a national working group, consisting of representatives from 11 of the 12 Canadian nursing regulatory bodies, to coordinate various phases of the NP Practice Analysis.

FACT #2: The Purpose of the NP Practice Analysis Was Clear.

The purpose of the NP Practice Analysis was to provide a comprehensive description of the entry-level knowledge, skills and abilities required in three streams of NP practice: adult, family/all ages and pediatric.

FACT #3: The NP Practice Analysis Analyzed Three Streams of NP Practice.

The NP Practice Analysis analyzed three streams of NP practice: family/all ages, adult and pediatric practice for two reasons:

1. These three streams are most commonly licensed by Canadian regulatory bodies;
2. One or more entry-level exams were being considered for these three streams of NP practice.

The NP Practice Analysis did not include NPs in the neonatal stream given that the analysis was not being used to inform future decisions about a neonatology exam.

FACT #4: The NP Practice Analysis Used Evidence-Based Best Practice.

Although there is no single correct way to conduct a practice analysis, the use of multiple data collection methods is recommended. The NP Practice Analysis employed a mix-methods approach, employing subject-matter expert input, relevant literature and surveys.

FACT #5: The NP Practice Analysis Was Informed by Consultation with Stakeholders.

The NP Practice Analysis provided a variety of stakeholders with opportunities to get involved, including:

- Canadian administrators, researchers and educators;
- Experts from each stream of practice who had different practice settings, years of experience, geographical locations and other demographics;
- All practising NPs from across Canada.

Please [click here](#) to access the full NP Practice Analysis report, fact sheet and Q&A.

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