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# Registration Data Report

College of Podiatrists of Manitoba



Fair Registration Practices Office

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## Introduction

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The Fair Registration Practices Office (FRPO) issues this report as part of its mandate and oversight responsibility under The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Amendment Act (Act). Section 14(2b) stipulates the Director of Fair Registration Practices is responsible to conduct research and analysis regarding the registration of internationally educated applicants (IEAs). This report presents registration data for the College of Podiatrists of Manitoba (COPOM) for the period of 2011 to 2021. There is no discussion of fairness issues or matters of compliance to fairness duties under the Act.

Manitoba self-regulated professions supply registration data to the FRPO in accordance with section 15(2) of the Act. Each year, regulated professions subject to the legislation provide records on the key steps in the assessment and registration process for IEAs, and less detailed, aggregate application and outcome information for domestic applicants (DAs). Regulated professions have been providing IEA data since 2011; DA data has been supplied since 2012.

COPOM received a small number of IEAs over the 2011 to 2021 reporting period, less than 20. A cautious reading of the data is needed. The impact of individual circumstance on registration outcome and timeline figures may be more significant than it would be with larger application numbers, providing a potentially unrepresentative statistical picture. Additionally, data presentation is limited by the need to address privacy concerns of this small sample size.

## Reading the numbers

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COPOM's licensure process for internationally educated podiatrists (IEPs) is straightforward, timely and cost-effective. Although the numbers are small, 100% of IEAs in the 2011 to 2021 period registered, taking only a few weeks to do so.

As there are only two podiatry programs across the country, most podiatrists who practice in Canada are internationally educated. Outside of Canada, COPOM recognizes a few dozen programs, most of which are found in the United Kingdom and the United States. There is no assessment process in Manitoba for applicants trained outside of these recognized programs.

Qualification and licensing requirements in the podiatry profession vary from province to province. Some provinces, like Manitoba, require Baccalaureate level training proceeded by three years of study at Michener and two, British Columbia and Alberta, require a more extensive, doctorate level training. There is no nationally recognized education standard, nor any national exam requirement.

The quality of COPOM's IEA registration data is strong, capturing key application, assessment and registration dates and outcomes. There is no need at this time to introduce new elements to capture missing events or dates in the assessment and registration pathway.

# Registration Data 2011-2021



Registered Members:

**24**

As of December 2021

## Applications

internationally educated applicants



2011-2021

domestic applicants



2012-2021

## Registrations 2012-2021

internationally educated applicants



100%

domestic applicants



100%



IEA median time to registration:

**16** days



countries of education:

**4**