

CPNRE Blueprint Assumptions (2022-2026)

The following set of assumptions are understood to apply to the practice of practical nursing in Canada and to the entry-level competencies that follow.

- The foundation of practical nursing is defined by:
 - **entry-level competencies**
 - professional nursing **standards of practice** of the **regulatory authority**
 - nursing code(s) of ethics/ethical standards
 - scope of nursing practice applicable in the jurisdiction
 - provincial/territorial and federal legislation and regulations that direct practice
- LPN practice is built upon the four concepts of person, environment, health and nursing and is grounded within the context of the current Canadian health-care system, primary health care and emerging health trends.
- LPNs possess competencies that are transferable across all areas of **responsibility** (e.g., direct care, administration, education and **research**).
- LPNs are active participants in health promotion, illness prevention and harm reduction activities.
- LPNs practise in any setting or circumstance where health care is delivered.
- Requisite skills and abilities are required to attain the LPN entry-level competencies.
- LPNs practise **autonomously**, safely, **competently** and ethically along the continuum of care in situations of health and illness across a client's lifespan.
- LPNs practise in situations of varying complexity and work collaboratively with the **health-care team** to maximize client outcomes.
- LPNs demonstrate **leadership** by fostering continued self-growth to meet the challenges of an evolving health-care system.
- LPNs follow a systematic approach by using the nursing process to deliver safe, **competent** and ethical care.
- LPNs **advocate** for the implementation and utilization of **evidence-informed practice**.