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Introduction to the Jurisprudence Program **Including Answers to Frequently Asked Questions**

We are pleased to welcome you to the online learning module of the Jurisprudence Program. The learning module is supported by a handbook and a series of short multiple-choice quizzes.

The purpose of this program is to provide future registrants with a deeper understanding of the requirements to practice in a regulatory environment. This includes a review of the laws, regulations and standards that relate to the practice of homeopaths in Ontario. These materials are designed to ensure that homeopaths understand their legal responsibilities and how they affect day-to-day practice.

To increase your ease at completing the program, we recommend that you review both the Jurisprudence handbook and the learning modules. Downloading the PDF handbook and completing each online lesson, including the Reflection Questions throughout each lesson, will give you the opportunity to verify your knowledge and prepare you for the online quiz following each lesson. You may attempt the quiz an unlimited number of times.

There are three main sections to the handbook:

- Section 1 Discusses professionalism and self-regulation and how these concepts apply to homeopaths. It explains the regulatory framework that governs self-regulation in Ontario, including setting out the role of the Regulatory College.
- Section 2 Looks at patient-practitioner relationships; how open communication with patients and colleagues is fundamental to professional practice; and how this fits within the self-regulatory framework.
- Section 3 Reviews the various laws that homeopaths are most likely to deal with in their practice.

The multi-media interactive online learning program is comprised of 18 lessons and over 100 questions.

It is estimated that it will take you a minimum of 6 hours to complete the program.

Need help?

Email jurisprudence@collegeofhomeopaths.on.ca or call 416-862-4780.

ELIGIBILITY

I graduated from a homeopathy program in Ontario. Do I have to take the Jurisprudence Program?

Yes. All applicants for registration with the College, including those educated in Ontario, elsewhere in Canada and in other countries are required to pass the Jurisprudence Program.

The successful completion of the Jurisprudence Program is a non-exemptible requirement for registration with the College.

Can students take the Jurisprudence Program?

Yes. An applicant can complete the program up to three (3) years prior to application with the College.



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PROGRAM PREPARATION

You are strongly encouraged to review the laws, regulations, College by-laws, and practice standards and guidelines that govern the homeopathy profession in Ontario.

The College has prepared a program outline including a list of recommended study materials. Please note the documents on the resource list may be revised to reflect changes in legislation and practice. It is the responsibility of each applicant to monitor the list for any updates and ensure they review only the most recent documents.

Recommended Study Materials

TC-CHO Jurisprudence Handbook

TC-CHO Professional Practice Standards and Guidelines

Government Legislation

- Regulated Health Professional Act, 1991, S.O. 1991, C. 18
- Homeopathy Act, 2007, O. Reg. General
- Health Care Consent Act, 1996, S.O. 1996, c. 2, Sched.

What competencies will be assessed by the jurisprudence program?

The following competencies are assessed in the program:

Professional Responsibility and Ethical Practice

- 1.2 Develop a professional therapeutic relationship with patient, maintain boundaries and act in the best interest of the patient. (K)
- 1.3 Demonstrate sensitivity to and respect for each patient's rights, autonomy, dignity and uniqueness. (K, S)
- 1.4 Practise safely, ethically, collaboratively and within own level of individual competence. (K,S)
- 1.5 Maintain patient confidentiality and privacy. (K, S)
- 1.10 Recognize the limitation of their own individual experiences and knowledge, and seek guidance from and collaborate with experienced professionals. (S)
- 1.11 Demonstrate an understanding of the legal and ethical obligations as it relates to the practice of homeopathy, including those imposed by the Homeopathy Act and the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 and Standards of Principles of Professional Ethics. (K)

Knowledge-Based Practice Body of Knowledge

- 2.17 Recognize the signs and symptoms of potentially serious or life-threatening conditions to determine whether referral to other health-care professionals or agencies is required. (S)

Practice Management

- 3.2 Maintain confidential patient records as per standards, regulations and guidelines. (K)
- 3.4 Respect patients' right to choose to integrate other therapeutic modalities in combination with homeopathic treatment.
- 3.5 Implement safety measures to protect patients, self and colleagues from injury and hazards. (S)
- 3.6 Develop and maintain appropriate billing practices as per standards, regulations and guidelines.



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TAKING THE JURISPRUDENCE PROGRAM

How do I access the program?

Simply follow the link on the College website at www.collegeofhomeopaths.on.ca.

Is there a fee for the Jurisprudence Program?

Yes. Prior to accessing the program you will be required to pay a \$50.00 (CDN) administration fee plus applicable taxes. Payment is made online by credit card through the secure program website.

When can I take the program?

As soon as your payment is processed you may begin the program and proceed at your own pace to complete.

However, applicants must complete the program prior to registering with the College. Applicants are responsible for ensuring their results are valid at the point of registration. If you pass the jurisprudence program but do not get registered within the following three years, you will have to write and pass the program again before you can register with the College.

How do I apply for accommodation to complete the program?

You can apply for accommodation by notifying the College in writing of your specific circumstances with a request for alternate arrangements. You may be required to provide supporting documentation with your request. Contact the College for more information.

Can I take the program with other homeopaths?

No. This program must be taken by you, on your own. Program content, quiz answers and results may not be shared with other applicants. Doing so may jeopardize one's application for registration.

What are the minimum computer requirements to take the program?

You will need Internet access. The Jurisprudence Program site supports the latest versions of Firefox and Chrome, as well as Internet Explorer 7, 8, and 9.

Do I need any special equipment?

Yes, you will need speakers and/or headphones to listen to the lessons. Closed captioning is also available.

How long does it take to complete the program?

It is estimated that it will take a minimum of 6 hours to complete the program and answer all of the required questions. You can do the program at your own pace and take unlimited attempts at each quiz at the end of each lesson. The program must be completed prior to registering with the College.

Do I have to complete the program in one sitting?

No, you can leave and return to the program at any time. When you need to take a short break click the pause button at the bottom of the screen, then click the play button when you return.

Or you can simply log-out of the course and return by logging in again and selecting the lesson from the "Topic Outline". You may wish to make a note of where you left off, so that you can restart the next lesson easily.



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How is the Jurisprudence Program scored?

The program is scored on a pass/fail basis. The program includes reflection questions and quiz questions.

The reflections questions are not marked and do not effect your score on the quiz. Reflection questions are part of the most of the online lessons. These questions help ensure you understand the material and prepare for the quiz.

How is each quiz marked?

Each quiz question earns one mark. The marks are gained or deducted once you select the "Check" box. If you get the answer wrong, a quarter-mark is deducted.

The quiz will tell you whether your answer is correct or incorrect and provide you with additional feedback. You may continue to make another selection until you get the correct answer. Once you are satisfied with your answer click the "Check" then select the "Next" button to move to the next question. Once you are satisfied with all of your answers within the quiz click the "Submit all and finish" button to get your final score.

You can repeat all of the quizzes as many times as you like. Your final mark is based on your highest grade.

You will successfully complete each quiz by achieving a mark of 80%. For the final quiz, comprising of 9 questions, all questions must be successfully answered.

How can I improve my mark on a quiz?

You can go back and review your past attempts and then "Re-attempt the quiz" as many times as you wish. Your marks are recorded in order to provide you with feedback on your performance. Your passing mark is based on the highest grade.

Is the final lesson different?

Yes, the final lesson and quiz focus on the entry-to-practice competencies tested through the Jurisprudence Program. The results of Quiz 17 form one part of the Individual Assessment Program. Both the Jurisprudence Program and the Individual Assessment Program are requirements of the Registration Regulation.

Do I need to notify the College of my results?

Yes, a copy of your certificate of completion should be attached to your registration application.