

COA Continuing Competence Program (CCP) Sample Learning Plan #2

GOALS

Once a goal is filled out, you must click "submit" at the bottom of this form before you add an activity to it.

Goal

* Status

Planned

- **PLANNED:** the goal has been identified but you have not completed all of the relevant activities and/or reflections.
- **COMPLETED:** you feel all of the relevant activities and reflections needed to meet the goal are done.
- **WITHDRAWN:** you decide you will be unable to complete a goal that was previously identified or you are unable to find relevant activities to meet that goal. Cancelling a goal will remove it from your learning plan.

* Competency ?

1.7 Maintaining Competence

* Learning goal ?

To improve my understanding of how international opticians an alternatively trained up professionals are assisted as they determine if their training and experience may be considered substantially equivalent to a candidate for registration that received their education from accredited training program for the profession in Canada. I will assist in the development of self-assessment tools to support the introduction of applicants to the profession of opticianry in Canada so I may better educate fellow opticians and the public on this topic, by January 2025.

ACTIVITIES

Once an activity has been added, click "Save" at the bottom of the form.

* Goal

Choose which goal the activity applies to from the dropdown list.

1.7 Maintaining Competence: To improve my understanding of how international opticians an alternatively trained up professionals are assisted as they determine if their training and experience may be considered substantially equivalent to a candidate for registration that received their education from accredited training program for the profession in Canada. I will assist in the development of self-assessment tools to support the introduction of applicants to the profession of opticianry in Canada so I may better educate fellow opticians and the public on this topic, by January 2025.

* Activity / Course

Fill in the name of the activity or course.

NACOR Self-knowledge pilot test

* Reflection

Explain what you learned from the activity and how it improved your competency and helped you meet your goal.

Testing this online self-assessment for NACOR helped me understand how international or alternatively trained applicants are aided in evaluating their readiness to apply for registration in Canada. It made me feel confident that patients in Canada can expect safe, competent care from their optician whether they are educated in Canada or are required to prove substantial equivalence. This self-assessment is just the first step for these candidates to evaluate their competence in relation to national competences for opticians. After taking these assessments I believe candidates would have a good idea if they are prepared to apply for registration by proving substantial equivalence or if they need to seek additional education or training before taking on that process.

* Activity

Choose the best description of the activity.

Online Course/Module

Completed date

2024-11-30

I really like participating in this higher level to better understand my profession and how I can help influence strengthening the profession throughout Canada. The learning I received from this experience will also allow me to better explain the evaluation process to my coworkers and the public, so others will also have the confidence and knowing that a good evaluation process is in place when Canadian regulators license internationally or alternatively trained applicants. In the future I would seek opportunities like this with my provincial regulatory so that I can focus my understanding and advocacy in my own practice.