



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

B E T W E E N:

ORDRE DES PHARMACIENS DU QUEBEC (“ORDRE”)

- AND -

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF PHARMACISTS (“COLLEGE”)

WHEREAS:

The Ordre is the licensing body of pharmacists in the Province of Quebec.

The College is the licensing body for pharmacists in the Province of Ontario.

Each of the Ordre and College has requirements for licensure which requirements include a degree in pharmacy and training as a pharmacy student, intern or both.

The Ordre requires those applicants who have obtained their degree outside of Quebec to establish that the program they graduated from was equivalent to the diploma program of studies in pharmacy taught by universities in Quebec.

The Ordre also requires those applicants who have obtained a degree from a program which the applicant established was equivalent to the diploma program of studies in pharmacy taught by universities in Quebec to successfully complete a structured practical training internship program of fifteen (15) weeks.

The College requires those of its applicants who have obtained a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree from a program accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (“CCAPP”) to successfully complete a structured practical training internship program of twelve (12) weeks.

The Ordre and the College agree that recognition and credit for the time spent in each other's structured practical training internship programs should be given for applicants for licensure provided that the applicant satisfies the conditions and requirements stated in this Memorandum.

NOW THEREFORE the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. This Memorandum applies only to applicants who hold a valid Certificate of Registration as a pharmacist in Ontario and who make application for a permit [licence] as a pharmacist in Quebec and those applicants who hold a valid permit [licence] as a pharmacist in Quebec and who make application for registration as a pharmacist in Ontario.
2. The Ordre will accept as an equivalent degree [diploma] an applicant's Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree provided it was obtained less than five (5) years prior to making application for a permit [licence] in Quebec as a pharmacist and provided further that the program for which the degree was issued had at least one hundred and twenty-five (125) credits and was accredited by the CCAPP (“Equivalent Degree”).
3. In respect of those for applicants for licensure as a pharmacist in Quebec who have obtained an Equivalent Degree and who have successfully completed the College's twelve (12) week structured practical training internship program required for licensure with the College, the Ordre will recognize and give twelve (12) weeks credit towards its structured practical training internship program requirement.
4. In respect of those for applicants for licensure as a pharmacist in Ontario who have obtained a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree on or after January 1, 1996

from a program accredited by the CCAPP and who have successfully completed the Ordre's fifteen (15) week structured practical training internship program required for licensure with the Ordre, the College will recognize and accept that training in lieu of the College's requirement for successful completion of its structured practical training internship program.

5. The College and the Ordre hereby confirm that each of their respective SPT internship programs (12 weeks in Ontario, 15 weeks in Quebec) are full-time programs under the direction and supervision of preceptors who are approved by the organizations.
6. The College has provided and the Ordre acknowledges having received copies of the documentation which is currently used in the College's structured practical training internship program.
7. The Ordre has provided and the College acknowledges having received copies of the documentation which is currently used in the Ordre's structured practical training internship program.
8. The College shall advise the Ordre in writing of any changes which may be contemplated to the College's structured practical training internship program.
9. The Ordre shall advise the College in writing of any changes which may be contemplated to the Ordre's structured practical training internship program.
10. In the event that either of the parties is no longer able or prepared to recognize and give credit for the other's structured practical training internship program, reasonable notice of this shall be provided and, if possible, the reason for the change in position shall be given.

The Ordre and the College recognize that there are other requirements which all applicants must meet to be licensed in their respective jurisdictions. Schedule "A" reflects in a summary form all of the registration requirements which each of the Ordre and the College require applicants to meet. Each of the Ordre and the College will consider the difficulties associated with the other jurisdictions licensees meeting those other requirements and take

steps, where reasonable, to assist those licensees in attempting to meet those requirements. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Ordre will attempt to implement changes to the manner in which applicants can complete additional education requirements respecting legislation and deontology, the Quebec Health System and Emergency Contraception Prescribing so as to provide a way in which the College's licensees could complete those requirements without unduly interrupting the practice of their profession or alternatively, providing some form of conditional licensure to permit those applicants to practise pharmacy for a reasonable period of time while they attempt to successfully complete those additional requirements. In this respect, the Ordre agrees to make all reasonable efforts to institute self-teaching courses for the additional educational requirements of legislation and deontology and the Quebec Health System by September 1, 2003.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on the date stated opposite the parties' signature(s).

**Ordre des pharmaciens du Quebec
Resolution number BU030204-6**

Dated: _____

Per: _____
Paul Fernet, BPharm.,LlB., President

Ontario College of Pharmacists

Dated: _____

Per: _____
David Malian, B.Sc.Pharm., CAE, President

Per: _____
Deanna Williams, B.Sc.Pharm., Registrar

APPENDIX A

Summary of Licensure Requirements for Ontario and Quebec Licenced Pharmacists

Ontario's Requirements for Licensure	Québec's requirements for Licensure
Have a valid licence with L'Ordre des Pharmaciens du Quebec	Have a valid licence with the Ontario College of Pharmacists
Have obtained a bachelor degree from a CCAPP accredited pharmacy program.	Have a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree provided it was obtained less than five (5) years prior to making application for a permit [licence] in Quebec as a pharmacist and provided further that the program for which the degree was issued had at least one hundred and twenty-five (125) credits and was accredited by the CCAPP ("Equivalent Degree").
12 Week Structured Practical Training internship program.	15 Week Structured Practical Training internship program. The Ordre will recognize and give twelve (12) weeks credit to candidates who complete the College's Structured Practical Training internship program.
Submit proof of reasonable fluency in English/French.	Submit proof of fluency in French according to the requirements of the Charte de la langue française.
Submit appropriate documentation (proof of identity, sworn affidavit, letter of good standing etc.)	Submit appropriate documentation (proof of identity, sworn affidavit, letter of good standing etc.)
Submit proof of having passed the PEBC Qualifying Examination.	Successfully complete a 3 credits course on legislation and deontology at Université de Montréal or Université Laval or any equivalent course acknowledged by the Ordre.
Submit proof of having passed the Pharmaceutical Jurisprudence Examination.	Successfully complete a 2 credit course on the Québec Health System at Université de Montréal or Université Laval or any equivalent course acknowledged by the Ordre.
	Successfully complete a 3-hour program on Emergency Contraception Prescribing.