

## Joint Statement from CLPNNS and CRNNS Update: Feasibility Study of Moving to One Nursing Regulator

The joint boards of the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Nova Scotia (CLPNNS) and the College of Registered Nurses of Nova Scotia (CRNNS) met on Friday, April 22nd, 2016 to discuss the results of the feasibility study exploring the potential of moving to one nursing regulator in Nova Scotia.

While an ultimate decision could take until December 2016, members of both boards had the opportunity to review the information gathered thus far and found the analysis valuable and instrumental in guiding their discussions and decision-making process to date.

“With the common understanding that an opportunity of this magnitude is a significant undertaking, both boards collaborated and have collectively determined that further exploration is still required,” explains Shirley Theriault, CLPNNS Co-chair of the Joint CLPNNS:CRNNS Working Group.

Board members identified a number of outstanding considerations they will continue to work towards addressing. “Among other things, the boards expressed an interest in exploring policy governance options and engaging with other nursing regulators that *currently* regulate the practice of multiple categories of nurses or are *exploring* the possibility of doing so in the future,” says Jacquelyn Garden-Jayasinghe, CRNNS Co-chair of the Joint CLPNNS:CRNNS Working Group.

The boards will continue to work towards addressing outstanding questions and are committed to making a decision by no later than December 2016 as planned and previously communicated.

Members of the boards of CLPNNS and CRNNS wish to thank members and other stakeholders for sharing their feedback, which has been a valuable step in the process to date, and are committed to keeping all members and other stakeholders informed as developments occur throughout the process.

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