

Notification – Internationally Educated Nurse (IEN) Applicants

The Registry refers qualified [Internationally Educated Health Care Professional](#) category applicants to the NCAS Health Care Assistant (HCA) Competency Assessment (single assessment only).

If you are an IEN applicant and do not yet meet the requirements to apply for registration with the BC College of Nurses & Midwives (BCCNM), you may choose to apply to the BC Care Aide & Community Health Worker Registry. There is no fee to apply to the Registry. **Funding support for the HCA competency assessment is available and further information can be found here:**

<https://www.choose2care.ca/bursaries-and-stipends>

If you are an IEN who meets BC College of Nurses & Midwives (BCCNM) application requirements, the BCCNM can refer you to take a Dual-Track Assessment (RN/LPN). NCAS then follows up with qualified BCCNM Dual-Track candidates to confirm their eligibility for a Triple-Track (RN/LPN/HCA) NCAS assessment. Qualified BCCNM IENs remain as Dual-Track candidates if they are currently registered as an HCA, if they were registered with the Registry at any time in the past or if they have already taken the NCAS HCA Assessment. Funding support is available for IENS who are Dual-Track or Triple-Track candidates and information can be found here: <https://www.nursingjobsbc.ca/>

IENs who are NCAS Triple-Track candidates must also submit an online application to the Registry. Once the Registry has reviewed the online application and has all the required documents, the Registry will request a copy of the HCA Competency Performance Report directly from NCAS.

After receiving the HCA Competency Assessment Report from NCAS, the Registry will contact candidates regarding next steps (i.e. remedial education or direct registration) within 15 business days.

Further information about the HCA Competency Assessment and the Triple-Track Assessment can be found on the NCAS website: <https://www.ncasbc.ca>