

Immigration: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. Is Health Match BC able to provide immigration support through BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP)?

Health Match BC is a free recruitment service funded by the government of BC. Yes, we support physicians, registered nurses, registered psychiatric nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives and certain allied health professionals with immigration information specific to the BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) – Health Authority stream.

2. What is BC PNP – Health Authority Stream?

The BC PNP offers a Health Authority stream for healthcare professionals who have accepted a full time, indeterminate position with a BC health authority and meet the eligibility requirements of this program. This stream is intended for workers or international graduates with skills, education and/or experience for high demand healthcare professions in BC.

The BC PNP – Health Authority stream offers a permanent residence pathway to professionals who are working or will be working for a BC health authority.

3. When can I start an application for the BC PNP – Health Authority stream?

You can start your immigration process once you receive eligibility from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia (CPSBC) and have accepted a formal job offer for a position that meets the requirements of the BC PNP with one of the sponsoring health employers and/or UBC.

4. Will I need to complete an immigration medical exam?

Yes, when a health care professional is applying for permanent residency (and a work permit), an immigration medical examination will be required for the primary applicant, spouse and eligible dependent family members. Even if family members do not intend to relocate with the primary applicant.

Immigration medical results are only valid for twelve (12) months and must be completed by an Immigration Refugees & Citizenship Canada (IRCC) approved panel physician.

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