

## **Governance Policy Twenty-One English Language Proficiency**

### **Purpose**

21.1 The purpose of this policy is to establish the English language proficiency (ELP) requirement.

### **Requirements for ELP**

21.2 An applicant for registration may demonstrate English language proficiency by establishing one of the following:

- a. Successfully completing their approved program of midwifery studies in Canada in English;
- b. Successfully completing a midwifery education in English of at least 2 years of full time study within the last 2 years outside of Canada;
- c. Completing the International English Language Testing System Academic test, having a minimum score of 7 per each component and that is completed within 2 years of the date of submitting an application for registration as a midwife:
  1. Listening score is 7.0, writing score is 7.0, reading score is 7.0, speaking 7.0; overall score of 7.0;
- d. Completing the Test of English Language Internet-Based Testing (TOEFL-iBT) having a score of 95 in total and that is completed within 2 years of the date of submitting an application for registration as a midwife:
  1. 25 minutes speaking, 21 minutes other components; or
- e. An alternative approved in advance of registration by the Executive Director and Registrar that facilitates the entry to practice of an individual with English language proficiency in speaking, writing, listening and reading.

### **Evidence Required**

21.3 The evidence required depends on the applicant's English language proficiency, as follows:

- a. Transcripts from your midwifery studies,
- b. IELTS test result,
- c. TOEFL-iBT test result, or
- d. Other evidence required by the Executive Director and Registrar.

### **Submitting Evidence**

21.4 There is more than one way to for an applicant to submit their evidence depending on how they have English language proficiency:

- a. Transcripts from their midwifery studies will be submitted with their registration application,
- b. The IELTS or TOEFL-iBT test result must be sent directly to the College of Midwives of Alberta from the organization, or
- c. As outlined by the Executive Director and Registrar.