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Re: Request to grant hospital privileges to physicians participating in Practice Ready Ontario

Dear Chief of Staff/To Whom it May Concern,

We are writing to request your support in facilitating hospital privileges for Practice Ready Ontario candidates who are being assessed by member(s) of your medical staff in a 12-week clinical field assessment.

[Practice Ready Ontario](#) is a clinical assessment program for eligible internationally trained physicians who have completed postgraduate training and practiced independently in family medicine or as a general practitioner outside Canada. The program is focused on improving access to family physicians in high-need, rural communities. It is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and administered by Touchstone Institute.

Candidates in the Practice Ready Ontario program have been granted a restricted certificate of registration by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario for the 12-week mandatory clinical field assessment. Over that time, candidates will be assessed by their assigned physician assessors in a range of settings, including emergency departments and other hospital settings.

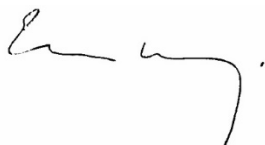
The candidates will provide patient care under direct supervision of physicians with active hospital privileges at your site, so would require privileges like those granted to medical residents. Practice Ready Ontario applicants will have Canadian Medical Protective Association (CMPA) coverage for the duration of the Clinical Field Assessment, under Code 12.

Following the 12-week field assessment, successful candidates will apply for a new restricted certificate through CPSO and begin a three-year Return of Service in a high-need rural Ontario community.

Thank you in advance for considering this matter. We would be pleased to provide more information about the program and the candidates.

Please reach out by [email](#) or phone (416-924-8622) if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Dr. Eric Wong
Clinical Director, Practice Ready Ontario