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College of Licensed Practical Nurses  
260-3480 Gilmore Way  
Burnaby, BC

Attention: Ms. Crockett, Chair of the Board of Directors for CLPNBC

Dear Ms. Crockett,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to the Board of Directors of CLPNBC on December 3, 2009 at your board meeting on behalf of Fraser Health Professional Practice Department.

We at Professional Practice work very closely with all of the regulatory bodies of our health care professionals to ensure that the best care is delivered to the public. It is so important that we have a good working relationship that serves both of our mandates.

Over the past few months our health authority along with our province had the incredible task to respond to the H1N1 pandemic. Fraser Health recognized the human resources of their LPN's that could be utilized in the Public Health sector to help perform the incredible feat of immunizing thousands in the mass clinics that were being organized for this fall/winter months.

This was an important moment for Professional Practice and CLPNBC to work very closely together in a very short period of time to overcome the task of moving our very dated HPA legislative language forward to meet the needs of the LPN practitioner with the Immunization certification.

Professional Practice would like to thank the Board of Directors and Mr. John Mayr, for the incredible work that was done with the Ministry and Nursing Directorate in providing guidance and support that LPN's can be part of the answer to the nursing needs of the public.

We would like to also thank the board for stepping forward and providing funds to support the online modules for the immunization certification. This has allowed LPN's to continue working and in a short period of time acquire the needed certification to work in public health.

Thank you so much,

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