

COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) and the CCEB

March 13, 2020 ~ Update

The CCEB is continuing to monitor the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation as it develops. The situation is fluid, and decisions that reflect the best information available are being made as new information emerges.

The CCEB is committed to providing timely information regarding CCEB-related activities. We will continue to provide updates via email and on our website. Please monitor appropriately.

The following is the current situation with respect to CCEB examinations as of March 13, 2020.

CCEB Examinations:

At this time, we will be maintaining our CCEB Spring examination administration as planned, scheduled for May 30 and 31, 2020. Recognizing that the situation is unfolding day to day, we will continue to remain informed and follow best practices and precautions as that information develops.

As the examination date approaches, the CCEB will continue to follow recommendations of the national, provincial and local health authorities. Such recommendations may involve or require screening questions related to COVID-19 including questions related to travel history, contact and symptoms and such other questions as may be deemed appropriate from time to time. **Candidates may be refused entry to the examination based on screening practices being administered at the time of the examination.**

There is the possibility of expanding travel restrictions, venue closures and public gathering prohibitions, among other public health measures, all of which are outside the control of the CCEB. Any candidates intending to attend the Spring examination administration should monitor the situation as it develops.

The CCEB is unable to predict how the situation will unfold and accepts no liability for costs incurred by candidates, above and beyond the examination application fee, in the event of such situations or in the event a candidate is refused entry to the examination based on the screening practices.

We encourage candidates to stay informed and educate themselves about the virus, risks and precautionary measures. Additionally, any candidate who has flu-like symptoms that include a fever, cough and/or difficulty breathing within the 14-day period prior to May 30th may want to consider waiting for the Fall exam administration as they may be refused entry to the exam due to the screening protocol.

The CCEB is waiving cancellation fees and penalties for the upcoming examination administration. We encourage you to make informed decisions. Should the exam be cancelled for any reason or, should you need to cancel your examination application at any time prior to the examination, up to and including the day of the exam, you will be fully refunded your examination fee.

There are many excellent and up-to-date resources (see below). Please keep informed.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/health-professionals/mass-gatherings-risk-assesment.html>

If you have any questions about the CCEB's protocols around COVID-19, please contact admin1@cceb.ca.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gemma Beierback', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gemma Beierback, CEO