

Dear members,

The intent of this **call for interest** is to create a roster of available resources, allowing the health care system to ascertain how many of you may be interested in helping in COVID-19 efforts by joining the public workforce.

Lessons learned from previous pandemics suggests that there is a real possibility that our health care system will be overwhelmed, and staffing will become an issue as this pandemic unfolds.

All regulated health-profession Colleges are being asked by the Department of Health to create a roster of available members, including those of you in private practice who may be currently more available than usual. As we continue to deal with the pandemic COVID-19, we have also been collaborating with the NB Department of Health to enable provisional temporary licensing to psychologists who have recently retired, who are former members of CPNB or who are currently non-practicing. If the Department of Health decides to use the roster, people will be deployed within the health care system, according to identified priorities and the interested professional's scope of practice, their competency profile and skill-set. Possibilities include assisting with 811 lines (COVID-19 triage), assessment centers, ER triage, COVID-19 testing or a multitude of other roles and responsibilities to help in this crisis.

Please inform anyone you think might be interested, and forward all names and contact information to : renee.turner@cpnb.ca

Warm regards,
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