

# TechTalk

The Official Source of Information on the Regulation of Pharmacy Technicians in BC

## USEFUL LINKS

College of Pharmacists of BC:  
[www.bcpharmacists.org](http://www.bcpharmacists.org)

Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada:  
[www.pebc.ca](http://www.pebc.ca)

Canadian Council for Accreditation of  
Pharmacy Programs:  
<http://www.ccapp-accredit.ca/>

Bridging Program In-Class  
Pharmacology Module Information and  
Registration:  
[www.pharmacy.ubc.ca/cppd](http://www.pharmacy.ubc.ca/cppd)

Bridging Program Pharmacology PLAR  
Exam Registration:  
[www.eplivevents.com/pmcolplar0710](http://www.eplivevents.com/pmcolplar0710)

## Get the most Current Information on the Regulation of Pharmacy Technicians

On May 20, 2010 the College of Pharmacists of BC (CPBC) hosted a webinar regarding the current status and process of pharmacy technician regulation in BC. A recorded version of the webinar (approximately 40 minute presentation and 20 minute Q&A) is available for download on the CPBC website at [www.bcpharmacists.org](http://www.bcpharmacists.org) > Key Initiatives > Pharmacy Technician Regulation.

In order to get the most out of the webinar, it would be helpful to review the information on the College website prior to watching.

## Register today for the Pharmacology Bridging Module

The College of Pharmacists of BC has partnered with the division of Continuing Pharmacy Professional Development in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of British Columbia (UBC-CPPD) to deliver the required Bridging Program to current technicians pursuing regulation. Registration is available now for the In-Class Pharmacology module or the Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) challenge exam.

For complete information regarding the Bridging Program please refer to the College website at [www.bcpharmacists.org](http://www.bcpharmacists.org) > Key Initiatives > Pharmacy Technician Regulation.

- > **In-Class (info and registration at [www.pharmacy.ubc.ca/cppd](http://www.pharmacy.ubc.ca/cppd))**  
**When:** Wed. July 14th - Wed. Sept 22nd, 6:30pm - 9:30pm  
**Where:** UBC Campus Vancouver (anticipate additional sites outside of Vancouver in the fall)  
**Cost:** \$300 plus tax  
**Registration Deadline:** June 17, 2010

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## Stay Informed

Interested in receiving email updates on Pharmacy Technician regulation, please contact Mary Tan at: [mary.tan@bcpharmacists.org](mailto:mary.tan@bcpharmacists.org) to be added to our Pharmacy Technician email distribution list.

Please provide your full name, email address, and workplace (if applicable).

## Questions?

Any questions regarding pharmacy technician regulation in BC, should be directed by email to: [pharmacytech@bcpharmacists.org](mailto:pharmacytech@bcpharmacists.org).



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- > **PLAR (registration at [www.eplyevents.com/pmcolplar0710](http://www.eplyevents.com/pmcolplar0710))**  
**When:** Sat. July 10th, 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**Where:** UBC Campuses Vancouver and Kelowna (additional locations will be added based on registration demand).  
**Cost:** \$125 plus tax  
**Registration Deadline:** June 8, 2010  
**Important Note:** PLAR exam can only be taken once. If unsuccessful, the candidate must successfully complete the bridging module

## Have you Pre-Registered with the College yet?

Pre-registration as a Pharmacy Technician with the College of Pharmacists of BC is required prior to registering for the Bridging Program (for current technicians) and the Structured Practical Training (for future technicians). The pre-registration application form is available at: [www.bcpharmacists.org](http://www.bcpharmacists.org) > Key Initiatives > Pharmacy Technician Regulation.

## PEBC Evaluating Exam – next sitting Sept. 18, 2010

Current technicians pursuing regulation are required to successfully complete the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada (PEBC) Evaluating Exam. *(Note: those who hold certification from either PTCB-AB (up to 2008) or OCP (up to 2008) do not need to sit the PEBC Evaluating Exam but are still required to complete all other requirements including the Bridging Program. The Bridging Program and the Evaluating exam can be done in either order).*

The next exam date has been set for September 18, 2010, deadline for application is June 28, 2010. More details on the Evaluating Exam, including the application form, are available at: [www.pebc.ca](http://www.pebc.ca).

## PEBC Qualifying Exam – next sitting Aug. 28 and 29, 2010

Successful completion of the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada Qualifying Exam is required by both current and future technicians pursuing regulation. The first offering of the Qualifying Exam in BC is scheduled for August 28 and 29, 2010, deadline for application is June 4, 2010. More details on the Qualifying Exam, including the application form, are available at [www.pebc.ca](http://www.pebc.ca).

Note: Although PEBC does not require candidates to have successfully completed all four bridging modules prior to sitting the Qualifying Exam, both PEBC and CPBC strongly recommend this step. The extra knowledge and resource information attained from the bridging modules will help candidates achieve success on the Qualifying Exam.

