

Temporary Social Worker

Temporary designation is available to those who are registered as practicing social workers in good standing in another jurisdiction who wish to temporarily practice in Manitoba or with service participants (clients) from Manitoba.

Social Workers planning to practice in Manitoba on an ongoing basis are encouraged to explore other available registration categories, including full registration.

Eligibility

An applicant may be granted temporary designation by the Registrar for one period not exceeding 45 consecutive days within one registration year where the applicant meets the requirements as follows:

- a) is registered as a practicing social worker in good standing with a social work regulatory body in another jurisdiction in Canada or elsewhere;
- b) provides the registrar a signed declaration that he or she will have direct client contact for only one or more of the following purposes:
 - i) to conduct a training course or presentation related to professional practice
 - ii) to conduct or engage in a research program related to professional practice
 - iii) to engage in electronic social work practice¹ from a jurisdiction outside of Manitoba
 - iv) to provide social work services to an existing service participant who is temporarily in Manitoba
- c) complete an online application, provide proof of identity and current legal name, provide proof of eligibility to practice in Canada, and pay the applicable registration fee

Terms

Approved applicants may only represent as temporary registrants with MCSW and must remain within the practice limitations outlined in their declaration.

A social worker in good standing in another Canadian jurisdiction delivering a training or course *not exceeding* 3 consecutive days is not required to register with MCSW.

A Temporary Social Worker will be entered on the public registry and issued a valid certificate of practice for the specified 45 consecutive day term.

¹ Electronic social work services mean the use of computers (including the Internet, social media, online chat, text, and email), mobile phones, video technology and other means of communication and information, acquisition, transmission and storage used on the Internet and with other technology to:

- (a) provide information to the public,
- (b) deliver services to service participants (clients),
- (c) gather, manage and store information about clients; or educate, supervise, and train Social Workers.

Renewals

A temporary registrant may be eligible for renewal by the Registrar for one additional 45 consecutive day term not exceeding a total of 90 consecutive days within the same registration year.

References:

1. Social Work Profession Regulation (2014) – Section 8, Section16(4)
2. Manitoba College of Social Workers By-Law No. 1, Article 5-1(e), 5-4
3. NASW, ASWB, CSWE, CSWA Standards for Technology in Social Work Practice, 2017