The Regulated Health Professions Act of Manitoba

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- The RHPA received royal assent on June 11, 2009

- It is to come into force on a date fixed by proclamation

- It will change the way that health professions are regulated in Manitoba
Proclamation

• Portions of the RHPA were proclaimed effective June 1, 2011

• Establish Health Professions Advisory Council to provide advice to the Minister of Health

• Enable unregulated health professions to apply to be regulated
Proclamation

• Remainder of RHPA to be proclaimed when the first profession is ready to transition

• College of Physician and Surgeons of Manitoba, College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba, and Manitoba Speech and Hearing Association to be first to transition
Profession Specific Regulations

- Set out:
  - Scope of Practice
    - Nursing vs physician vs pharmacist
  - Authorized reserved acts
  - Expanded scopes of practice
  - Transitional Provisions
Health Professions’ Colleges

Will establish:

- Registers and membership classes
- Requirements for certificate of practice
- Limits and conditions on the performance of reserved acts (ie, ordering tests, prescribing medications)
- Standards of practice
- Continuing competency program requirements
- Health profession corporation requirements
RHPA - Reserved Acts

• New shared scope of practice/reserved act regulatory model similar to that in Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta

• Based on the concept of controlling potentially dangerous “reserved acts”

• 21 categories of harmful acts are restricted to regulated health professionals (e.g. ordering, prescribing, dispensing)
RHPA - Reserved Acts

• Reserved acts to be authorized for a profession based on current scope of practice

• College Regulations to set out qualifications, requirements and conditions

• College Regulations may authorize delegation or supervision
Expansion of Scope of Practice

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  - RN Certified Prescriber in travel health
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Expansion of Scope of Practice

- Review of proposal will be done based on approved criteria including:
  - Relevance to profession
  - Risk of harm
  - Relationship to other professions
  - Requirement for supervision or autonomy
  - Body of knowledge, education and accreditation requirements
  - Profession’s current support
  - Economic impact
  - Unmet public need
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