

College of Nurses of Ontario NP practice resources

On October 1st, 2011, amendments to the *Nursing Act, 1991* came into effect enabling NPs to broadly prescribe medications and laboratory testing. The College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO) incorporated these and other legislative changes by swiftly issuing the following documents online:

- Nurse Practitioner Practice Standards - a document outlining the practice expectations for NPs
- Nurse Practitioner Learning Module - an interactive review of the practice standard
- NP Practice Resources - practice-related information for NPs that is meant to complement the Nurse Practitioner Practice Standards
- NP Diagnostic and Prescriptive Authority - information about the tests and medications that NPs are authorized to order
- FAQs: Nurse Practitioner Practice Questions - answers from the College on common questions asked by NPs
- FAQ: Bill 179 - information about the proposed changes that will affect the legal scope of NP practice