

# STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

## CPR – CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION CERTIFICATION

<b>Name:</b>	CPR – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification
<b>Date Approved:</b>	06/22/2018
<b>Date Updated:</b>	09/14/2019
<b>Number:</b>	SP-LR-2
<b>Type:</b>	Licensing Requirements (LR)
<b>Reference:</b>	The Optometry Act 11(2) (c) establishing a code of ethics and standards of professional conduct, competence and proficiency to be maintained by members and governing the manner and method of their practice. <b>11.05.09 MOTION</b> "That the CPR minimum level B or equivalent certification will be considered to be current for a three-year period from the certification date. The date must indicate the date of achievement." All in Favour. CARRIED.

It is a requirement of SAO member licensure that all members shall maintain and provide evidence to the SAO office they hold a current and valid Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification (CPR) at a minimum of level B or equivalent.

As CPR training and course requirements are similar between providers, the Board of Examiners, with approval by Council, agreed they will accept all CPR courses with a minimum B or equivalent certification level that are obtained through recognized and reputable providers. As there is an inconsistency for the expiry of the term of the certifications, the Board of Examiners and Council have agreed that all CPR certifications will be considered current and valid for three-years from the issued certificate date, regardless of the term specified on the member's CPR certificate. The CPR certificate must indicate the name of the provider, the member's name, CPR level granted and the date of achievement.

When the SAO amended their 2003 Professional Bylaws (Dec 7, 2018) section (11.9) was minimized and rewritten and "e) possess a current certificate in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (level B or equivalent)" was removed.