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Information About Transfer Interviews

The typical panel contains two Board members, one of whom is chair, and one psychologist not on the Board.

The Interview: The chair asks the applicant to describe his or her past work settings, to indicate some ethical dilemmas that have arisen, and to describe how they were resolved. Additionally applicants may be asked to discuss their intended work setting in Nova Scotia. Each member of the panel is free to ask questions and pose problems for the applicant's consideration. Because our registration is generic, the questions tend to focus on the actual work situation of the applicant rather than following a pre-arranged agenda. Nevertheless the panel is not limited to the applicant's own examples, but is free to develop hypothetical scenarios, to ask about issues that the applicant may not have introduced, and so on. The questioning should continue until panel members are satisfied that they can make a recommendation to the Board, with confidence. The applicant is asked to leave and to wait nearby until the panel has deliberated and is in a position to offer feedback.

Post Interview feedback: When the applicant returns the panel offers feedback and indicates what recommendations it will make to the Board.

After the Interview: The chair of the panel completes a standard form indicating the panel's recommendation.

Options of the Board after a Transfer Interview: The Board may recommend that the applicant be placed on the Register of Psychologists, or be placed on the Register of Psychologists with Conditions.

Preparation: Applicants can purchase the Canadian Psychological Association's Companion Manual to the Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists. Their address - CPA, 151 Slater St. S205, Ottawa, ON K1P 5H3 - Telephone: toll free 1-888-472-0657.

Fee: The fee is \$500.00 and is payable one week in advance of the interview.