

Progress of RNAO's NP Task Force February 2021 *Vision for Tomorrow* report

| <i>Vision for Tomorrow</i> recommendation | Accomplished |
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| 1. Increase the supply of NPs across all settings and sectors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Ontario government announced funding for an additional 225 NPs in the long-term care sector in October 2022. ✓ New NPLCs have been funded in Ottawa and Owen Sound. |
| 2. Optimize the utilization of NPs within current scope of practice | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RNAO supported NPs with submitting an Expression of Interest in 2023, and increased funding for interprofessional primary care teams was received from the government in 2024. |
| 3. Expand the scope of practice for NPs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ NP authority was expanded to include the completion of point-of-care testing, as well as the ability to order additional forms of energy such as computerized tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), electrocardiogram (ECG) and electroencephalogram (EEG). ✓ As of July 1, 2025, NP authority was expanded to include the ability to apply or order the application of electricity for cardiac pacemaker therapy, defibrillation, electrocoagulation and transcutaneous cardiac pacing, and complete and certify a medical certificate of death without limited circumstances. ✓ On Dec. 2, 2024, Ontario became the first jurisdiction in Canada to welcome the role of NPs as clinical directors in long-term care. |
| 4. Align NP curriculum with expanding scope of practice | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ In progress. |
| 5. Harmonize NP compensation across all settings and sectors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ In progress. |
| 6. Invest in research to support NP practice and improved health outcomes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ RNAO initiated development of an NP Research Chair, to be situated at the association. |
| 7. Optimize access and continuity of care by ensuring all insurance benefit carriers, and other such payers, accept NP services analogous to physician counterparts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All major insurance companies now recognize NPs and NP services. |



8. Showcase impact of NPs through public education campaigns to advance full utilization of NPs across all settings and sectors

✓ RNAO launched the [#WeAreNPs](#) public awareness campaign in November 2023.

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