

Preparing for Transfer

1. Prepare Information on Required Experience

Grandparented members must have additional TCM and/or TCM acupuncture experience that meet the following criteria:

- In addition to the experience reported to obtain his/her Grandparented certificate, he/she has additional three years of experience (which could take place in Canada or other countries);

AND

- In these additional three years, he/she has acquired at least 1,200 patient visits.

NOTE: For more information on the interpretation of the *TCM Patient Visits* please visit the [CTCMPAO website](#). CTCMPAO may inspect original patient records to verify patient visits information, if necessary.

Examples that describe the requirements

Example for Members issued the Grandparented certificate on April 1, 2013

In his application for a Grandparented certificate of registration, Mr. X provided evidence of 2,000 patient visits acquired from March 2008 – March 2013.

To support that he has the additional 1,200 patient visits, Mr. X has the option of:

- reporting for any three-year period before March 2008

OR

- combining a period before March 2008 and a period after March 2013, the total of which must add up to a minimum of three years (36 months)

Example for Members issued the Grandparented certificate after April 1, 2013

Ms. Y submitted her application for a Grandparented certificate of registration after April 1, 2013 and received her Grandparented certificate in November 1, 2013. In her application, she provided evidence of 2,000 patient visits provided between March 2008 – March 2013.

If Ms. Y applies for PLAR in June 2014, she has the option of reporting the additional 1,200 patient visits:

- in any 3 years before March 2008

OR

- combining a period before March 2008 and a period after she received her certificate from CTCMPAO on November 1, 2013. The total must add up to at least 3 years (36 months). She must be careful not to include any period from April 1, 2013 to the time before she received her registration certificate.

NOTE: It would be a breach of the TCM Act for Ms. Y to practise TCM before she became a member of CTCMPAO.