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On June 10 2020, NSCN notified licensed practical nurse (LPN) registrants that a harmonized sales tax (HST) is required on all NSCN registration, licensure and administrative fees.

What is HST and why is it being added to my fee?

The Canada Revenue Agency oversees the administration of HST for the sale of goods and services. Given the size and nature of NSCN, a harmonized sales tax (HST) is required on all registration, licensure and administrative fees. NSCN collects and forwards the HST funds to the government as required by law.

Do other regulators charge HST?

Yes. Regulators of a similar size in Nova Scotia and Canada require HST on their fees.

Do RNs and NPs pay HST as part of their licence renewal fee?

Yes.

What is the breakdown of licence renewal fees for all designations?

For the upcoming 2021 licensure year:

LPN: \$325.00 NSCN licensure fee and Lloyd Sadd Insurance professional liability insurance + \$48.75 HST = \$373.75

RN: \$476.05 NSCN licensure fee and Canadian Nurses Protective professional liability insurance + \$71.41 HST = \$547.46

NP: \$587.55 NSCN licensure fee and Canadian Nurses Protective professional liability insurance + \$88.13 HST = \$675.68

NSCN committed to not raising fees in 2020. How is this different?

The licensure and professional liability insurance fees have not changed (\$325). The change is the addition of HST (\$48.75) that is collected and remitted to the government as required by law.

I am on payroll deduction. Do I have to provide additional funds?

No. We notified employers in July 2019 to ensure the payroll deduction amount reflected the 2021 LPN licensure fee of \$373.75.

For more information, visit the website or contact Registration Services at askusaregquestion@nscn.ca.