

NBSMLT	CSMLS
Protects the public interest.	Advocates for the profession with government and other funding agencies and advocates to the public services
Governed by a Council of professional members and government-appointed public members	Governed by an elected Board of Directors across Canada
Mandatory license in order to use protected titles and/or perform controlled acts . Registers members based on legislated criteria	Voluntary membership in most provinces (Mandatory in NB Act) Membership criteria and benefits set by the membership
Requires registrants to participate in legislated professional development program (PDP)	Provides the professions with opportunities for continuing education
Ensures minimum standards of practice are met for safe and competent service to the public	Sets competency profile standards , prior learning assessment and national certification examinations
Engages the public to inform them of the value of regulated professionals	Engages the members in order to serve their professional needs
Required to have a complaints & discipline process to respond to members who do not practice to the set standards	Complaints process for unregulated jurisdictions, including MLA
Protects the public by ensuring members provide safe, effective, and quality service	Supports the public by advocating for adequate health human resources
Provides accessible information to the public regarding the professions, the registry of members, expected practice standards, and the complaints process	Provides accessible information to its members regarding professional development opportunities, changes in the professional fields and political developments that affect the professions
Accountable to the public, the government, and members	Accountable to the members.