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**A Practical Guide to Provincial
Nominee Programs**

A clear trend in the Canadian immigration law is the increasing role that the provinces and territories have in the selection of prospective immigrants to Canada. Increasingly, immigrants who arrive in Canada do so after being nominated by a province. Attention needs to be paid to the opportunities and possibilities of immigrating to Canada through the various provincial programs. A Practical Guide to Provincial Nominee Programs in Canadian Immigration Law provides an overview of provincial nominee programs for those needing to understand what these nominee programs have to offer. It is important to also understand the practicalities of how various provincial programs work and this book aims to provide that information by providing specific and practical information and tips about accessing the provincial programs.

This release features substantial updates to Chapter 7 - Nova Scotia Nominee, Chapter 9 - Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program and Chapter 10 - Prince Edward Island Provincial Nominee Program.

Release Highlights

Nova Scotia Nominee — The Physician Stream opened in Nova Scotia in February of 2018. This Stream assists Nova Scotian public health authorities, the Nova Scotia

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Health Authority (NSHA) and the IWK Health Centre (IWK), to hire general practitioners and specialist physicians to work in Nova Scotia. Due to the shortage of physicians in this Province, the Stream helps the NSHA and IWK to recruit and retain physicians with the required skills for positions that they have been unable to fill with a permanent resident or Canadian citizen.

Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program — As for the prospective nominee, those applying under the Foreign Worker Stream and In-Demand Skills Stream must be able to demonstrate that they are qualified for the applicable position, as well as the appropriate registration or license if the occupation is regulated by the province. As well, if the applicant is already in Canada, evidence of legal status is necessary. Refugees are not eligible if a claim is pending regardless of whether the person is in or out of Canada. Only refugees with rejected or abandoned claims may apply once they have left Canada. Lastly, all applicants must intend to reside in Ontario and will be required to indicate ties.