

# Overview of hyperbaric qualifications in Canada

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# Physicians

- Hospital privileges
- Canadian Medical Protective Association
- Provincial licensing authorities
- Workers Compensation boards
- Diver training colleges and facilities
- Canadian Standards Association levels
- Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board (and equivalent)

# Physicians

- Various courses available
- No certification available
- No sub-speciality qualification
- Royal College diploma program a likely possibility

# Nurses

- Local training and recognition
- CHT RN available through NBDHMT in USA but not formally recognized in Canada

# Respiratory Therapists

- Local training and recognition
- CHT available through NBDHMT in USA but not formally recognized in Canada

# Military and commercial divers

- Comprise key technical personnel
  - Especially at multiplace facilities
  - Key roles as Safety Directors and Supervisors
  - CSA has specific requirements for supervisors
- Most not eligible for CHT certification
- Discussions with / under consideration by Diver Certification Board of Canada (DCBC)

# Certification of hyperbaric personnel

- Training standards and certification is a key component of ensuring high quality and standards of care
- Need to have formal certifications recognized by provincial health authorities
- CC\_UHMS can provide certification according to bylaws
- Cannot provide diplomas

# Certification of hyperbaric personnel

- Discussions with NBDHMT
- Issues will be considered by Education committee, Credentials committee and the Board of Directors
- Communication with professional organizations in Canada