

# COLLEGE UPDATE

COLLEGE OF DENTURISTS <u>OF</u>ONTARIO

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## **Our Vision**

Leading our members to provide exemplary denturism care to Ontarians.

## Message from the Registrar

## Greetings Everyone!

I hope this finds everyone well and managing in these challenging times. I also hope that you were able to enjoy some of the summer before we head into what looks like a challenging fall and winter.

The work of the College, Council and its Committees continue thanks to our technology infrastructure, the dedicated members of Council and College Committees and the College's hard working, very capable staff. Thanks to everyone for their efforts and dedication.

Here are some updates on several items:

## **Continuing Professional Development**

It is an unfortunate consequence of the COVID-19 Pandemic that the Associations are unable to provide their usual in-person continuing education events. These events are not only useful for the informative lectures and presentations but are also a great opportunity for Registered Denturists to interact with their Peers.

Even though these in-person CPD events have been cancelled, the College has modified some of its items to provide for virtual participation and it continues to provide a lot of other online learning opportunities for Registered Denturists, including:

- Webinars & Self-Directed Learning Assignments (<u>live</u> & on-demand in the <u>Member</u> <u>Portal</u>)
- Virtual Peer Circles (more sessions coming soon!)
- Completion of the <u>Jurisprudence Module</u>

Participation in these events provides Registered Denturists with CPD credits for Structured Activities. In addition (and in recognition of the time invested in reviewing Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines related to practice during the COVID-19 Pandemic) any time that you spend reviewing the Return to Practice Guidelines or the Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines, as well as other activities related to learning about how to practice safely during the COVID-19 Pandemic qualify as unstructured CPD credits.

Even if you feel like you haven't been able to complete as much CPD as you wanted to this past year, remember that the current CPD cycle ends April 14, 2022 so there is still lots of time left to complete your cycle requirements!

If you have any concerns about the CPD requirements, please feel free to contact Jennifer Slabodkin at <u>jslabodkin@denturists-cdo.com</u>.

## **Stay Informed**

## **COVID-19 Updates and Resources**

New! <u>Standard of Practice:</u> <u>Professional Boundaries</u>

## New! Patient Rights Document

## **Open Consultations**

Coming Soon!

Revised Standard of Practice: Record Keeping

## Reminders

2nd Instalment of Renewal Fees Due October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

> Certificate of Registration \$536.75

Certificate of Authorization \$197.75

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#### Updates to the Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004 (PHIPA)

On March 25, 2020 *Bill 188 An Act to enact and amend various statutes* received Royal Assent. One of the major pieces of legislation impacted by Bill 188 is PHIPA, the Personal Health Information Protection Act. Any health professional that keeps patient information must be familiar with and adhere to the requirements under PHIPA. Some of these changes will apply to you. For more information regarding these changes, please review the <u>PHIPA Updates</u>. Note: reviewing this information and participating in additional research qualifies for unstructured CPD credits (1 credit = 1 hour of participation).

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Installment of Renewal Fees

For those of you who elected to pay your 2020-2021 Certificate of Registration Renewal fees in installments, the second instalment is due October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If you have not already made your 2<sup>nd</sup> installment payment please do so by the October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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#### Winter 2021 Qualifying Examination

The College has just announced that its next Qualifying Examination (Winter 2021) is scheduled for January 29-31, 2021. Registration for the examination is now open. The exam will be administered at a new venue outside of the city of Toronto. This venue will be the David Braley Health Sciences Centre located in Hamilton, Ontario. The College elected to change the location of the examination largely because of decreased availability of venues within the city of Toronto and also because it wanted to secure an exam venue that was large and flexible enough to ensure all the required infection prevention and control measures can be instituted properly. The change of the examination venue to a facility outside of Toronto carries with it the added benefit of administering the exam in an area with lower reported cases of COVID-19 infection. This was not an insignificant factor in deciding on a move of the exam venue for the Winter 2021 administration.

Exam Dates:

- Friday, January 29, 2021 MCQ
- Saturday, January 30, 2021 OSCE Day 1
- Sunday, January 31, 2021 OSCE Day 2

The College will provide the option for MCQ repeat candidates <u>only</u>, the option to attempt the MCQ exam in Toronto simultaneously with all other candidates in Hamilton.

Registration deadlines:

- Initial application deadline Friday, November 13, 2020
- QE registration deadline Friday, December 4, 2020

Due to the unpredictable nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and evolving changes in governmental policies to combat the spread of the virus, the College reserves the right to change, cancel or amend these examination dates.

I trust the above is informative. Please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or comments. My sincere wishes for a safe and healthy fall and winter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Glenn Pettifer Registrar and CEO

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Jennifer Slabodkin at jslabodkin@denturists-cdo.com or 416-925-6331 ext. 224.

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## **Coming Up**

Fall Webinars Series begins on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

#### **Registration is Open!**

#### Webinar Topics:

- Professional Boundaries NEW! Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Professional Boundaries
- Professional Collaboration
  Review of expectations in the Standard
  of Practice: Professional Collaboration
- Restricted Title & Professional Designations

Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations

- Advertising
  Review of expectations in the Standard
  of Practice: Advertising
- **Conflict of Interest** Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Conflict of Interest
- Informed Consent Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Informed Consent
- Confidentiality & Privacy Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Confidentiality & Privacy
- **Record Keeping** Review of expectations in the Standard of Practice: Record Keeping

On-demand webinars and copies of the presentations are available in the <u>Member Portal</u>!

<u>Click here for more information and</u> <u>to register!</u>

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