

College of Denturists of Ontario

Tuesday, April 3, 2012

NOTICE: IMPORTANT CHANGES AT THE CDO

Dear Member:

As you are likely aware, on March 26, 2012 the Ontario government appointed me Supervisor for the College of Denturists of Ontario. A copy of the Minister's letter to CDO and the terms of reference for my appointment are posted on the CDO website.

Under the authority granted to me as Supervisor, I have decided to make some changes that in my view are necessary to commence addressing the concerns expressed by Minister Matthews in her communication to the College on March 26th, and her decision to appoint a College Supervisor.

These and other initiatives going forward are intended to enable the College of Denturists of Ontario to execute its public protection responsibilities in a fair and transparent fashion.

Please note the following *changes, effective immediately*:

1. New President and Vice President

Under my authority as Supervisor, I have appointed Anita Kiriakou, a public/lay appointee to CDO Council (2010-2013) as the President of the College. Anita was appointed to CDO in January, 2010 and is a seasoned public member of the College Council. Robert MacLeay DD, who was formerly the second VP, is appointed the Vice-President of the College.

Our regulatory mandate and purpose is clear- we exist solely to serve and protect the public interest. Accordingly, the appointment of a public member as President is not only appropriate, but it demonstrates the important role that the public plays in the self-regulation of all health professions in Ontario, including Denturism.

I very much appreciate the cooperation and helpfulness of the former President and Vice President of the College since my appointment as Supervisor and look forward to working with them and all the Council in the days ahead.

2. "COLLEGE CONTACT" - changes

In an effort to contain costs while my review is underway, the publication and distribution of "College Contact" will be suspended for the time being.

Accordingly, all members are encouraged to regularly visit the "What's New" section of the College of Denturists of Ontario website at <u>www.denturists-cdo.com</u> where we will post regular updates and informational items going forward.

Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at the College.

Deanna Williams Supervisor College of Denturists of Ontario