HIGHLIGHTS OF 70TH MEETING OF CDO COUNCIL DECEMBER 14, 2012

The 70th meeting of the Council of the College of Denturists of Ontario was held on Friday, December 14, 2012. Highlights of the meeting are listed below, along with <u>a request for your feedback on two new proposed regulations.</u>

PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL BY THE CHAIR OF HPRAC

Mr. Tom Corcoran, Chair of the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council ("HPRAC"), presented to Council on the criteria HPRAC uses in determining regulation of new professions. It was very timely for Council to understand the various criteria against which a new profession wishing to become regulated under the *Regulated Health Professions Act* is measured.

PROPOSED QUALITY ASSURANCE REGULATION - FOR MEMBER CONSULTATION AND FEEDBACK

Council has approved the circulation of the new proposed Quality Assurance Regulation. This proposed regulation would, once approved by government, replace the existing General Regulation. The proposed changes to the Quality Assurance Regulation are necessitated by amendments made to the *Regulated Health Profession Act* in 2009, and enable the College to be more flexible with its quality assurance activities.

Click here for the link to the proposed Quality Assurance Regulation

**YOUR FEEDBACK IS REQUESTED, IN WRITING, TO THE COLLEGE BY THE END OF THE DAY ON FEBRUARY 25, 2013. PLEASE DIRECT ALL FEEDBACK TO CLAUDIA FRISCH AT <u>cfrisch@denturists-cdo.com</u>

PROPOSED REGISTRATION REGULATION - FOR MEMBER CONSULTATION AND FEEDBACK

Council has approved the circulation of the new proposed Registration Regulation which would, once approved by government, replace the existing regulation. Some key changes include changing the non-exemptible requirement that currently designates a particular school's program to a more general requirement that applicants must have completed a three year post-secondary educational program that is approved by Council or, in the opinion of the Registration Committee, is substantially equivalent to a program so approved. The new regulation also formalizes new classes of registration: inactive, temporary, and provisional (which could include students practising under the supervision of a registered denturist).

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NEW PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR CDO

Council has approved a Procurement Policy to be followed when soliciting or purchasing services or products. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that College funds are used in a fair, open and transparent manner and also to ensure that the College is consistently and uniformly employing accepted procurement practices. This policy can be found following <u>this link</u>.

CONTINUING EDUCATION POLICY REVISED

Council approved slight revisions to the Continuing Education Policy of the College - the revisions include clarification regarding the College's expectation that members engage in 100 hours of continuing education (CE) over a 5 year period and at least 10 CE hours each calendar year. The revised policy also clarifies that all CE courses do not have to be pre-approved as members are encouraged to self-manage their continuing professional development and in the same vein, are expected, as professionals, to maintain their own records (and evidence) of continuous learning for submission to the College and/or an assessor(s) upon request.

BUDGET FOR 2013-14 FINANCIAL YEAR APPROVED

The proposed budget for the 2013-14 financial year, which starts April 1, 2013, was approved. The budget contemplates the increased annual registration fee for denturists in Ontario of \$1900.00 plus HST, which will apply to the 2013-14 annual fees due by April 15, 2013. In the New Year, all members of the College will receive official notice of the fee increase due on April 15, 2013.

More detail regarding the finalized budget for 2013-14 will be included in the Supervisors Update which will be posted on the website early in the New Year.