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Council Highlights

From the 79th Meeting held Friday, March 6, 2015

Presentation on the Review of Oral Health Services in Ontario

The College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario (CDHO) undertook a third-party review to identify existing and emerging themes relating to access to and quality of oral health services as well as barriers and enablers to improve access to services. The CDHO's Registrar, Mr. Brad Sinclair, delivered a presentation on the findings of this review. A summary of the findings and opportunities to improve access to oral health services in Ontario can be found on the CDHO's website at www.cdho.org or by clicking [HERE](#).

Proposed Budget for 2015-2016 Fiscal Year

The proposed budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year is a balanced one. There was no need to apply the consumer price index on any of the fees charged by the College as contemplated in the By-laws. Council passed a motion to waive the fee increase as set out in By-law 31.05.

Transparency Initiative

The Registrar and the College's legal counsel delivered a presentation to Council on what additional information may appear on the public registry in accordance with the enhancing transparency work being undertaken across the health regulatory college spectrum. Over the course of the next eighteen months, the College's Executive Committee and the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Council will make recommendations to Council on what member specific information should be added to the register that is not already contemplated in the College's By-laws. There will be an opportunity for member and stakeholder feedback throughout the process.

Reassignment of Professional Practice Committee Work Plan

The College's document revision project including the review of the standards of practice had been assigned to the Professional Practice Committee (PPC) which is a non-statutory committee. It was determined that the appropriate way to undertake the document revision project would be to have the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC) which is a statutory committee convene in two panels, namely Panel A (to administer the quality assurance program with the current QAC members) and Panel B (to assume the work plan of the current PPC). The QAC has the statutory authority to develop and propose to Council standards of practice and/or clinical practice guidelines. Council passed a motion to reassign the work plan of the PPC to the QAC and that the QAC meet in two panels to conduct its work.