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## Message from the Registrar

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Dear Registered Denturists,

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## Making up for lost time

As we wrap up the second week of the new year, I was informed by the Ministry of Health that they *may* be moving forward with amendments to our Registration Regulation – which includes the creation of the Inactive Class of Registration. What was scheduled to be a nice quiet week back precipitated into College Staff drafting regulation amendments and drafting new guidelines in anticipation of this potential Inactive Class. *Nothing concrete to share for now.* 

It is hard to think otherwise, that this is a sign of things to come in 2024. A year filled with new possibilities and new opportunities, a year that harkens back to the early days of this profession where Denturists proudly stood up at Queen's Park and worked with the provincial government to create this profession and later enshrine into law the Denturism Act of 1991. While in 2024, working with the Ontario Government looks a bit less exciting and less passionate as it were then, we now have a real opportunity to make something special happen!

It has been sometime since the CDO regulations have been updated (with the exception of the Emergency Class), and I can say with certainty that the provision of Denturism care, processes that govern the CDO, and registration best practices have evolved exponentially over the past 30 years. Perhaps 2024 is the year we finally break that seal and make up for lost time.

Denturists from across the province have been nothing but supportive and kind to my team and to members of Council in advancing our joint cause of serving in the public interest - our Public President certainly felt the love in Ottawa at the CDO Peer Circles event and at the Denturism Association events.

Perhaps we can show our appreciation by signing into law the newest set of updated regulations later this year....

In the meantime, wishing you, your families, and patients, continued health and perseverance this new year!

Roderick Tom-Ying Registrar and CEO



