



COLLEGE OF
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College Update

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Registration Fee Refunds, Online Invoice Payment, Election Reminder, Non-Council Committee Memberships, Return to Practice

Hello Everyone!

2020-2021 Registration Fees Refund Process

Further to my email last Tuesday announcing Council's decision to [reduce the Registration Fees by 50%](#) this year, I am sending this email to provide you with instructions on how to set up your refund if you have already paid or wish to change when you pay your fees (i.e. go from a single payment to two installment payments). This process requires you to log into your personal account through the Member Portal. Detailed instructions can be found [here](#). Please feel free to contact us if you have any difficulty with this process.

If you elected to pay later when you completed your Registration Renewal and need Instructions on How to Pay the Invoice Online, click [here](#).

Election Reminder

In addition to providing you with those refund instructions, I want to remind Registered Denturists in Districts 3,4,5 that there is a regular election of members of the profession from each of these Districts to sit on the College Council. There is also a By-election for a member of the profession from District 2 (By-election because the seat was not filled in the regular election). Any elections will occur on June 3, 2020 if there is greater than one nominee for any of the Council positions. If there is only one nomination of an eligible member, then that nominee will be acclaimed to the position. At the time of writing I have received one nomination for District 3 and one for District 4. We still need nominations for Districts 2 and 5. Please see the Election Notice [here](#).

Naturally, you will have other things on your mind these days and these elections may seem irrelevant. In these uncertain times, it is doubly important that the profession supports and maintains a well-functioning, committed, self-regulatory body. Sitting on Council is a commitment but at the same time it is rewarding and a great way to be involved in self-regulation of the profession of Denturism.

Call for Non-Council Committee Members

If sitting on Council is not your thing, then please consider joining one of the College's Committees. A tremendous portion of the work of the College is performed by its numerous Committees. The composition of these Committees is prescribed by the College by-laws. In many instances the involvement of professional members who do not sit on Council is required.

This involvement of non-council members of Committees is *essential* to the College's Committee process for the diversity of viewpoint and opinion is brought to the Committee table. Sitting on a Committee as a non-Council member is an opportunity for you, a member of a profession, to participate in the regulation of your profession. Please consider this opportunity. Further information can be found [here](#).

Extension of Emergency Order Until June 2

Yesterday afternoon, the Government of Ontario extended, until at least **June 2**, the Declaration of Emergency and associated emergency measures that have been put in place to slow the spread of COVID-19. These orders, in conjunction with the March 19, 2020 Directive from Dr. David Williams, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, limit Registered Denturists to the provision of essential, urgent care only.

Return to Practice and COVID-19

Despite the extension of the emergency orders noted above, we are receiving some positive information that the restrictions around businesses, your practices and those of other health care practitioners, and social activities are all having an impact on the daily number of new cases of COVID-19. This positive trend is influenced by measures that have had a significant impact on the livelihood of hundreds of thousands of Ontarians. As the Government loosens restrictions as it starts to institute Phase 1 of its Framework for [Reopening Our Province](#), it will be important to continue to follow the Directives from the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Provincial Emergency Orders. Registered Denturists continue to be restricted to the provision of essential, urgent care.

The Oral Health Profession regulatory bodies are all working to develop profession-specific Guides for Return to Practice. The CDO is working with the provincial Associations to develop a comprehensive Guide for Return to Practice for Denturists. We will provide this to you as soon as it is complete and available for distribution.

Finally, I do want to acknowledge the very significant impact the Pandemic has had on you and the profession of Denturism. I thank-you for your contributions to controlling disease spread and I wish you all continued health.

Sincerely,



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Questions?

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