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Extension of Emergency Orders

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Yesterday, the Ontario government announced that it would be extending, until at least May 19, all existing emergency orders that have been put in place to slow the spread of COVID-19. These orders include the closure of all non-essential workplaces and, 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. The College's April 2, 2020 [update](#) provides further information regarding the definition of essential, urgent/emergency care.

As the province begins to institute its [Framework for Reopening Our Province](#), it is important for Registered Denturists to continue to restrict their practices to essential, urgent care at the most. It will be tempting to want to re-engage in practice when we see hardware stores and garden centers opening, but this framework is designed around slowly increasing the levels of risk of exposure to COVID-19 and the ease with which risk reduction procedures can be instituted.

In conjunction with the professional associations and its Oral Health Profession regulatory partners, the College is working to establish guidelines for Registered Denturists when they return to practice. These guidelines as well as information regarding the return to practice will be communicated to Registered Denturists when it becomes available.

Sincerely,

Dr. Glenn Pettifer
Registrar and CEO

Links to the following documents:

[Government of Ontario's Webpage for Emergency Information](#)

[Government of Ontario's Framework for Reopening Our Province](#)

Questions?

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