



COLLEGE OF
DENTURISTS
OF ONTARIO

Standard of Practice: Restricted Title & Professional Designations

Stakeholder Consultation

December 18, 2017

Dear Stakeholder,

At its December 8th, 2017 meeting, the Council of the College of Denturists of Ontario approved a draft of the Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations for stakeholder consultation.

Background

A Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations provides Registered Denturists with the College's expectations regarding what title and/or designation may be used to reflect a current, valid registration with the College. Only individuals who have a current, valid registration may use a restricted title or professional designation. Such a Standard serves the public interest in accessing safe, competent care from health professionals who are registered with, and governed by, a regulatory College and, because of that registration, are granted access to restricted title(s) and/or designations.

It was apparent while drafting the Standard that it needed to include direction around the use of the "DD" designation. Since "DD" has come to "be the face of denturism" in the province (and in other jurisdictions) and is commonly understood to represent a denturist who holds a Certificate of Registration with the College, it made sense to formalize the relationship between registration with the College and the use of the "DD" designation. Formalizing such a relationship would allow the College to control the use of "DD" and ensure that such use was only undertaken by an individual who holds a Certificate of Registration with the College.

The College applied for Official Mark status for both "DD" and "Registered Denturist". These applications were granted to the College and the College now owns and controls both Official Marks: "DD" and "Registered Denturist".

Consultation

As part of the stakeholder consultation, this email is being sent to you requesting your feedback and comments.

- [Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations](#)
- [Guide to the Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations](#)

The Standard contains only the essential expectations and the Guide provides information that will assist individuals with interpreting and meeting the expectations that are articulated in the Standard.

Please take a few minutes to review the draft Standard and accompanying Guide. Once you have reviewed the documentation, you may complete the short survey if you wish to provide comments, feedback or have questions. Standard setting benefits from the input of all stakeholders and the College Council thanks you in advance for your contribution.

Your feedback is requested on or before **Friday February 16th, 2018.**

[Click HERE to access the survey for the Standard of Practice: Restricted Title and Professional Designations.](#)

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