

March 2, 2009

Dear colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that the Board of the College of Chiropractors of British Columbia (the "CCBC") announces the completion of the legislative process establishing the CCPA as the regulatory college for the chiropractic profession under the *Health Professions Act* (the "HPA"). Effective March 1, 2009, the CCBC will replace the British Columbia College of Chiropractors, which (together with its predecessor the British Columbia Chiropractic Association) has regulated the practice of chiropractic in BC since 1934.

In the lead up to this transition, the profession has worked closely with the Ministry of Health in the creation of new regulations and bylaws, as well as, assisting with the public consultation that was part of that drafting process. The result is a new regulatory structure under which the CCBC will continue to serve and protect the public by superintending the practice of chiropractic in the public interest.

Under the *HPA*, the Registrar is appointed by the CCBC Board, rather than being a member of the Board. The CCBC Board has appointed Dr. Blake Cameron, a BC registrant, as Registrar effective March 1. The board thanks Dr. Doug Alderson for his previous service as Registrar. Dr. Alderson will continue to serve as a member of the CCBC Board.

The Board is pleased to announce the election of Dr. Patrick Bickert as Board chair and Dr. Brad Dickson as Board vice-chair.

The *HPA* regulatory system requires the creation of five new committees: the Registration Committee, the Inquiry Committee, the Discipline Committee, the Quality Assurance Committee and the Patient Relations Committee. Under the *HPA* the members of these committees must include public representatives, including both public representatives appointed to the Board by the government, and public representatives who have responded to the Board's request for assistance with the administration of the CCBC. The Board thanks these individuals (who are indicated below) for accepting these positions. The committee appointments are as follows:

Registration Committee

chair – Dr. Doug Alderson

vice-chair- Dr. Brad Dickson

member – Ms. Gwen Ford (Board public member)

Inquiry Committee

chair – Dr. Rob Turner

vice-chair – Dr. Doug Wright

members – Dr. Shannon MacNeill , Dr. Bev Tyler, Mr. Doug Kellner (Board public member), Ms. Beverly Hunter (public representative)

Discipline Committee

chair - Dr. David Olson

vice-chair - Dr. Dean Greenwood

members - Dr. Lesley Taylor-Hughes, Dr. Danielle Morgan, Mr. Derek Hall (Board public member), Ms. Patricia Lawrence (public representative)

Quality Assurance Committee

chair – Dr. Gregg Anderson

vice-chair - Dr. Terrence Knight

members - Mr. Derek Hall, Ms. Sarah James (public representative)

Patient Relations Committee

chair – Dr. Shannon Patterson

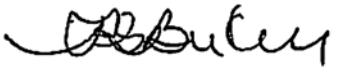
vice-chair - Dr. Heidi Benda

member - Ms. Gwen Ford

It is anticipated that the transition to the *HPA* statutory regime and consequent creation of the CCBC will result in improved administration of the practice of chiropractic in BC, thereby benefiting the public, the profession and health authorities.

Additional information concerning the CCBC and the new legislation under the *HPA* can be viewed online at www.bcchiro.com

Yours truly,



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Chair, CCBC