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President's Message

As you will note in this issue of FOOTPRINT, the College remains busy with its core mandate, continues to develop initiatives, and consolidate relationships with strategic partners. The big break through with the drug regulation...

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New Government Relations Company Retained

College Council has approved the retention of a new Government Relations company at its June 2019 meeting. The rapidly changing landscape of Government at both the political and bureaucratic level is intricate to navigate and requires the expertise of such a consultant...

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Drug Regulation

Registrants of COCOO were made aware in the last addition of FOOTPRINT that an updated drug list



was established several years ago. Proposed changes to regulations to allow adoption of the updated list were approved by Council and sent to the Ontario Ministry of Health in October 2015...

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Registration Examination

The College's Registration Examinations occurred on Thursday and Friday June 6 & 7 2019. The written portion of the examination took place on Thursday and the Objective Standardised Clinical Examinations (OSCE) on Friday. The supplemental examination OSCE will take place in mid August...

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RULES

Meeting with Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association (CLHIA) Members

As a follow-up to exploratory discussions earlier this year, the College Registrar Felecia Smith, President Martin Hayles and Vice-President Millicent Vorkapich-Hill attended a teleconference meeting with the Anti-Fraud Division of CLHIA and representatives of its member insurance companies...

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Conclusion of Terms for Two Council Members

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New Public Member on Council

The College welcomes a new public member to Council, Mr. Andrew Glassmann. He began his three year term on Council on June 20, 2019.



Virtual Prescription Services

At its most recent meeting Council was made aware of Registrants being approached directly by 'online' service offering evaluations and physician prescriptions. They appear to target services such as foot orthoses, footwear and compression hosiery; one service operates outside of Ontario. This raised several concerns with Council...

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Insurance Preferred Provider Network

At its most recent meeting, Council was made aware of Registrants being approached directly by a Health Insurance Preferred Provider networks. Concerns were raised by registrants that the business model of a paid 'subscription' being promoted to move them up the search list of providers could breach College standards...



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Quality Assurance - Changes to Continuing Education

The Quality Assurance Committee proposals for broadening Continuing Education requirements Category A course requirements were approved by Council at the recent meeting in June. Council also amended the Quality Assurance policy which is attached. The change to the policy arose in the context of expanding Category A courses as follows...

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Medical Pedicures

At the most recent meetings of Executive and Council they discussed the issue of pedicures and medical pedicures in the context of their provision by registrants and or under delegation from registrants. Discussions focused around several issues, including the subjective issue of foot care vs pedicure, medically necessity vs cosmetic, such services are not controlled acts and business practices associated with the services including billing third parties...

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Council District Elections

Two members of Council will complete their terms on Council in October 2019, attending their last Council meeting in June. As a show of thanks for the time and dedication shown to the College by Sohail Mall, public member and Stephen Haber, professional member, each was presented with a plaque from COCOO Council. The initial call for nominations for candidates for election to College Council for a three-year term, for Districts 1 and 2, Chiropodist, and Districts 1 & 2 combined, Podiatrist was sent out to members in those districts...

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