
Information Sharing with College Stakeholders and Other Professional Regulators

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Background

As a regulator of a health profession, the College's mandate is to protect the public. To fulfill its mandate, the College shares information with other regulators and external system partners (e.g. law enforcement and government). At the same time, the College is committed to the principles of fairness, transparency and accountability, which govern its information sharing strategy. The College posts information on its website (public register) and shares information externally, where appropriate. The College applies these principles, subject to confidentiality obligations, privacy rights restrictions and the College's legal obligations.

Who does the College share information with?

In accordance with the law, specified information can be shared with employers, other regulators, and external system partners such as law enforcement. Regulators include other chiroprody or podiatry regulatory bodies (in Canada or international) and bodies that regulate other professions. In addition to other regulators under the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* (RHPA), the College may share information with professional regulators that do not fall under the RHPA.

When there is a professional conduct outcome that affects a member's entitlement to practice (for example, a suspension or terms, conditions or limitations), employers and insurance companies are notified. Also, if a member is registered with another regulatory body, that regulatory body is notified. For example, the College has some members who are also members of other regulators in Ontario or in Canada. The College directs the other jurisdiction to look on its public register, which has all the relevant information. The College notifies all Canadian and international regulatory bodies in which the College is aware the member is registered.

Verification of Registration

When a verification of registration is requested by another regulator or an insurance company, the College verifies the member's registration history. If there is any relevant history, such as history related to a professional conduct matter, this information is disclosed in the interest of public safety.

In respect of applicants or prospective applicants, the College adheres to principles of procedural fairness in information sharing, both with the applicant and any other body where appropriate.