

Professional Incorporation Update

On February 6, Cabinet approved a regulation under the RHPA setting out the conditions and requirements for health professionals wishing to form Professional Corporations. The regulation was passed at the end of February.

The regulation stipulates that:

"A corporation is eligible to hold a certificate of authorization issued by a College if all the following conditions are met:

1. The articles of corporation provide that the corporation cannot carry on a business other than the practice of the profession governed by the College and activities related to or ancillary to the practice of that profession.
2. Each shareholder of the corporation holds a certificate of registration issued by the Registrar of the College.
3. The name of the corporation meets the standards described in (the regulation)".

The regulation sets out the requirements for naming the Professional Corporation. It requires, for instance, that the name of the corporation:

- must include the surname of one or more shareholders of the corporation, as the surname is set out in the College register;
- may also include the shareholder's given name, one or more of the shareholder's initials or a combination of his or her given name and initials;
- must indicate the health profession practised by the shareholders;
- must not include any additional information.

The health professional regulatory colleges are given the responsibility to issue Certificates of Authorization for Professional Corporations. The regulation sets out the conditions for issuance, renewal, and revocation of the certificates.

Before any health professional regulatory college in Ontario is in a position to issue a Certificate of Authorization for Profession Corporations, it must create the appropriate application and renewal forms and associated statutory declaration form. A by-law is also needed to do a number of things, including setting the appropriate application and renewal fees.

The colleges are now working together with legal counsel to develop a by-law template as well as templates for the various forms that are required. This will not only expedite the work but ensures a cost-efficient approach.



New Public Appointee Gil Boyce

After graduating from Carleton University in History and Political Science and from Queen's University in Education, Gil was a guidance counselor and teacher in the Cornwall area for 32 years. He took early retirement and has since been active in volunteer work. He

currently assists in English as a Second Language classes for immigrant teens at the Adult High School in Ottawa, and mentors in a neighbouring elementary school for Big Brothers. He is a director of his Cottagers Association and helps in the research office of the Rt. Ho. Joe Clark. He is active in Casa Alianza, an advocacy group for street children in Central America.

Gil lives in Ottawa but spends much of his spare time at his cottage in the Gatineau Hills. He enjoys swimming, boating, art, music and live theatre.

Fond Farewell

Lee Aiken: Joined the College of Dietitians in July 2000 as the first Quality Assurance (QA) Coordinator at CDO. She provided valued assistance to the QA Committee in the development and implementation of the College's QA Program. Lee resigned in February of this year to pursue other opportunities.

Anita Beausoleil: Joined the College of Dietitians in July 2000 as the Administration Assistant. Anita was responsible for most of the literature provided by the College, including the *résumé*. She resigned her position in January of this year.

The Council and Staff offer Lee and Anita best wishes in their future endeavours.

Important Reminder

It is very important for the College of Dietitians of Ontario to keep the Register of Dietitians current. CDO relies on its members to ensure that the Register is updated. It is a member's responsibility to inform the College of any change in name, home address, business address or business phone number. Also, please remember to advise us of any change of employer or employment status. Members are required to provide the relevant changes **in writing** within 30 days of the change occurring. See Ontario Regulation 593/94, Dietetics Act, 1991.