

# COLLEGE

## *Briefings*

Winter 2023 Edition

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### College Webinar “Regulation Odds and Ends” Follow-up

On September 18, 2023, the College hosted a webinar “Regulation Odds and Ends”. The webinar covered topics relevant to Dietitians including using the Nutritionist title, private practice resources, virtual practice in Canada, currency and declaring dietetic practice hours, professional liability insurance and more.

A recording of the webinar is available at (<https://app.webinar.net/8yW5O7Jqe2N>) and the webinar slides and a Follow-up College Communication are available on the College website under [For Dietitians - Regulated Member Resources - College Webinars](#). This communication responds to the questions submitted during the Webinar; answers are compiled by topic, with additional resources linked for your reference.

At any time, if you have any practice related questions, please contact Shannon Eklund, Director of Professional Practice by email at [ppc@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca](mailto:ppc@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca) or by phone at 780-448-0059.

### *Standards of Practice* Survey

Thank you to all regulated members who took the time to complete the College survey on the *Standards of Practice* for Reconciliation and Restricted Activity Supervision.

We are pleased to report the Reconciliation *Standard of Practice* received a high level of validation on the clarity of the Standards. The College Council will provide the draft *Standards of Practice* to Government for further stakeholder consultation prior to approval.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Cook, Registrar at 780-448-0059 or by email to [registrar@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca](mailto:registrar@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca).

## **Reconciliation**

Following approval of the Reconciliation *Standard of Practice*, the College will begin identifying and developing related learning resources for regulated members. As resources become available, the College will communicate with members. In the meantime, the College encourages members to review the resources available on the College website under [About Us – Reconciliation](#).

## **Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion**

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) is a core strategy of the College's Council and Staff. We are committed to strategic priorities that embed equity, diversity, and inclusion as everybody's responsibility. The College recognizes the dietetic profession in Alberta is a diverse community of regulated members with a variety of lived experiences, thoughts, and perspectives.

### **Personal Pronouns**

As part of the College's commitment to EDI, regulated members and applicants to the College can include personal pronouns as part of the Profile Update. Disclosing your personal pronouns to the College is optional. Should you wish to include personal pronouns in your profile, you will need to logon to the Registrant Portal and complete a Profile Update. There will be a text box for you to enter your personal pronouns.

Further information about pronouns and their usage can be found on the [Pronouns.org](https://pronouns.org) website.

## **Social Media and Conflict of Interest**

In light of recent attention regarding social media publications by dietitians related to endorsements and sponsorships, the College encourages dietitians to review the resources available on our website under [Regulated Member Resources](#), Practice Statements and Guidelines, as well as the *Standards of Practice* and *Code of Ethics* (available under [Regulatory Documents](#)).

## **College Council effective September 14, 2023**

The College of Dietitians of Alberta is pleased to introduce the 2023/2024 Council which consists of regulated members and public members. Council photos can be viewed on the College website under [Regulated Member Resources](#), Important Regulated Member Resources.

Allison Fielding, Councillor, Chair  
Laura White, Councillor, Chair-Elect  
Kally Cheung, Councillor  
Caroline McAuley, Councillor  
Stephanie Moriartey, Councillor  
Geoff Rabbie, Public Member, Past-Chair  
Alexander Phung, Public Member

## Contacting the College Office

The College office hours are Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. College staff are available by phone or email during regular business hours. If we are unable to assist you when you call the office, please leave a message, or send an email. We will address all questions or requests as soon as possible.

The College office is open by appointment only. Please call the College office at 780-448-0059 to schedule an appointment. The College may have limitations in place for the health and safety of any visitors and the College staff.

Doug Cook, Registrar & Executive Director (he/him)  
Lisa Omerzu, Executive Assistant & Registration Coordinator (she/her)  
Shannon Eklund, Director of Professional Practice (she/her)

Holiday Hours for 2023: The College office will be closed from noon on December 22, 2023 through January 1, 2024. We will reopen on January 2, 2024.

## College's Registrant Portal

### Ensuring Your Profile is Current

All Dietitians, as regulated professionals, have a duty to ensure their profile information with the College is updated within 30 days of any change in the information required for the College's Register. This includes changes to your legal name, contact information (phone and email), mailing address, and employment information. You should update your profile information online by logging onto the [Registrant Portal](#) to complete a Profile Update.

If any information found on the [Public Register](#) or [Find a Dietitian Directory](#) is inaccurate or incomplete, please [contact the College office](#) to request a correction.

### Two-Factor-Authentication Security

Two-Factor-Authentication is well established as an essential component of security best practices. The College of Dietitians of Alberta is committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information. The College's [Registrant Portal](#) (Alinity) requires Two-Factor-Authentication for each user. For information on this process and how to complete the steps to validate your browser, please refer to the **Guide for Using the Registrant Portal** found online under [Regulated Member Resources](#).

### Ensuring you Receive CDA Emails

To ensure you receive all important communications from the College office in a timely manner, please add **CDA Administration (office@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca)** to your safe sender list or address book.

Adding our sending domain (collegeofdietitians.ab.ca) to your list of accepted email senders (often referred to as a "whitelist", "safe list", or "list of privileged senders") will ensure that you receive College communications from all College email addresses.

Failure to receive emails from the College does not excuse missed deadlines or requirements for maintaining your registration.

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The College of Dietitians of Alberta office is located on Treaty 6 territory, and respects the histories, languages, and cultures of First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our vibrant community.