



CPTBC

College of Physical Therapists
of British Columbia

CPTBC Connects – June 2019

Welcome to the June Issue of CPTBC Connects!

This e-newsletter will keep you up-to-date with news about the College, Board and Committee activities, important dates to remember, tips and resources for your physical therapy practice and more! Look for CPTBC Connects in your inbox every other month.

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June Board Meeting Highlights

We had a busy Board meeting this month! Elections were held, we welcomed a new Board member, approved the 2019/2020 budget, discussed our response to the Cayton report, continued our work on our strategic plan and confirmed that a policy review regarding dry needling is needed.



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Introducing Ayesha, Manager Registration and Corporations

Ayesha Laher joined the College on May 6 to oversee registration and corporations. In the last 18 years she's worked in several regulatory bodies in B.C. and has a keen interest in good governance and regulatory affairs. She holds an MPA degree from Harvard University. Please join us in welcoming

WELCOMING

Ayesha

Manager of Registration &
Corporations

2019/2020 Registration Renewal

Registration renewal ended on May 31. Over 4,000 full, interim and non-practising registrants successfully renewed during the six-week period (April 15 – May 31).



The College posts a list of cancelled registrations, following the renewal period, on the website. This lists registrants who have retired, cancelled in good standing and cancelled for non-renewal.

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Is Your Professional Liability Insurance Up to Date?

When renewing your malpractice insurance, it's always wise to keep a copy of your certificate handy. When you update your profile during registration renewal in April/May, you are asked to provide the following information regarding your professional liability insurance:



- Name of your policy provider
- Policy number

You are not required to routinely provide a copy of your insurance to the College, but please be prepared do so if it is requested by the College as part of a compliance review.

Phase 2 of Registrant Consultation Completed

Approximately 100 physical therapists participated in the second phase of online discussions regarding potential changes to the Quality Assurance (QA)

Program. This phase looked at several QA methods in detail. The College also met with members of the School of Physical Therapy at UBC on May 23 and will meet with PABC in June.

The QA Committee will meet in August to consider the consultation results and the results of an external evaluation completed in 2018. Summaries of the consultations will be shared with registrants via the website, email and social media. If you have any questions about the consultation, please contact qap@cptbc.org.



Recruiting Physical Therapists for QA Committee

Do you have experience in academic or research settings, performance measurement, and change leadership? We're seeking two registrants to join the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC). The mandate of the committee is to establish and maintain the College Quality Assurance Program (QAP) and to promote high practice standards among registrants.



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Physical Therapists needed for the Clinical Item Generation Team

The Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators (CAPR) seeks physiotherapists in the Greater Vancouver Area, B.C. to join the local Clinical Item Generation Team. This team is responsible for writing and reviewing stations for the Clinical Component of the PCE. Experienced PTs in all areas of practice are welcome.



CAPR
Canadian Alliance
of Physiotherapy
Regulators

ACORP
Alliance canadienne des
organismes de réglementation
de la physiothérapie

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Our 2018 Annual Report

Each year, we publish an Annual Report that features an overview of the College's work including key activities from the last fiscal year, reports on human resource information, and the audited financial statements. View our [2018 Annual Report](#) on our website.



Treatment Resulting in Burns

Case Study

The College receives a variety of complaints, including complaints about alleged burns from electrophysical equipment during treatment. These complaints often include photographs of burn marks in the shape of the applications/pads used. This case study provides registrants with information regarding the importance of taking steps to prevent burns and to provide guidance on how to handle the situation should it occur.



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ICBC and Disclosure of Patient Information

Physical therapists have contacted the College expressing concern about changes to how reports are sent to ICBC in light of legislative changes on April 1, 2019. The College reached out to ICBC for clarification.



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UBC News

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Training [announced the UBC MPT programs will expand by 20 seats in 2020](#) and another 20 seats in 2022.

The Graduate Certificate of Orthopaedic and Manipulative Therapy (GCOMPT) is undergoing a name change (pending approval July 2019) to better reflect the nature of the program. The proposed new name is Graduate Certificate of Orthopaedic and Musculoskeletal Physical Therapy. This [two-year part-time program](#) is aimed at working clinicians who want to become musculoskeletal experts. It uses a mix of online and in-person learning to teach a contemporary evidence-based approach to hands-on and exercise-based treatment.



Tele-rehabilitation Survey Results

In May, the CPTBC sent out a survey to physical therapists regarding tele-rehabilitation in practice. The survey was sent out across Canada, totalling 1,219 responses. The collected data indicated approximately 12% of physical therapists currently use tele-rehabilitation in their physiotherapy practice, and of those respondents, the majority practice in British Columbia, Ontario, and Quebec.



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