



# CPTBC

College of Physical Therapists  
of British Columbia

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## CPTBC Connects – December 2019

### Welcome to the December 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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### Holiday Office Hours

Our office hours over the holiday season are as follows:

- December 23-27: Office closed
- December 31: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- January 1: Office closed



The Board of Directors and staff of the CPTBC wish you a very happy holiday season! We look forward to working with registrants, the PABC, UBC Department of Physical Therapy, our regulatory colleagues, government, and other stakeholders in 2020.

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### Reminder on Bylaw Amendments

A reminder to registrants that bylaw amendments are posted for review. You are invited to [review the proposed amendments](#) and provide any comments

to [bylaws@cptbc.org](mailto:bylaws@cptbc.org) or to the Ministry [via email](#) or an [online feedback form](#) by January 21, 2020.



## Ministry of Health Releases Proposal on Modernizing Health Profession Regulation

The Ministry of Health outlined a bold proposal for modernizing B.C.'s health regulatory framework. The Board of Directors is in the process of preparing a response to the Modernization Report. The submitted response will be published on our website.



Visit the CPTBC website to learn about the main recommendations and how you can share your feedback. **Deadline for providing feedback is January 10, 2020.**

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## Staffing Update

We're excited to welcome two new staff members to the College. As well, we're announcing an added role to a current employee's portfolio.



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## What Happens Next for Interim Physical Therapists Post Exam

Are you an interim physical therapist who recently sat a component of the Physiotherapy Competency Exam? Are you wondering what happens after the clinical or written portions, or if you've failed either one? We've outlined three

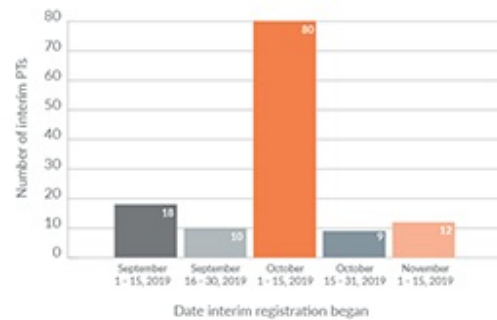


scenarios for you.

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## What You Need to Know about Interim Physical Therapists

Did you know that interim physical therapists must practice under the supervision of a fully registered physical therapist? Did you know that interim physical therapists must include the term 'interim' in their title? Currently, 198 interim physical therapists are practicing under supervision in B.C. Read on for more information.



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## Looking for Interim Registrants and Supervisors to Participate in Study

Have you completed university and practiced physical therapy under supervision before completing your PCE? Acted as a supervisor to an interim/temporary/provisional certificate holder? The College and UBC need your help! [Find out how to participate.](#)



## Save the Date: Webinar on Infection Control

Ever wonder what germs might be living on your stethoscope, interferential sponges, children's toys, or plinths? Do you ask your patients to wash their hands before you start treatment? Register for our upcoming webinar on how infection control is in your hands!



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## On-Demand Webinar on How to Use the Privacy Toolkit

The Privacy Toolkit will soon be available to assist physical therapists meet the requirements of the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA). Our recent webinar covered topics related to the collection, use, disclosure, and retention of clients' personal information. Find out what else is included and how you can watch a recording of this valuable resource.



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## Dry Needling Update

The College's recommended changes to how physical therapists are authorized to use dry needling will go out to all full and interim registrants for consultation. Pivotal Research is working with the College to design a survey to gather registrants' feedback. Watch for an email in mid-January with your link to participate.



## Board Meeting Highlights

Our Board of Directors met in November. We welcomed new members, discussed and approved policies, reviewed the Modernization Report and more. Find out what else was discussed in our meeting highlights.

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## UBC GCOMPT Program Accepting Applications

Congratulations to the second cohort enrolled in the Graduate Certificate of Orthopaedic and Musculoskeletal Physical Therapy (GCOMPT). These

learners just completed their final clinical block and practical exams. Next, they'll embark on their chosen research projects.

The GCOMPT program is accepting applications until April 30 for a third cohort, with a tentative start date in September 2020. [Find out more on their website.](#)



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## Learning from Feedback Exchanges: UBC Department of PT Clinical Education

When was the last time you received feedback? The Department of PT Clinical Education Team supports students, clinical educators and preceptors with the skills to give and receive feedback. Learn how to be part of an ongoing dialogue designed to advance your knowledge and skillset.



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## Board Elections 2020

We'll officially announce the call for Board nominations in February 2020. It's never too early to start thinking about who would make a good Board member and preparing for the nominations' process. In 2020, there are two elected Board positions available for a three-year term.



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## Call for Participants for Survey

## on DCD

Jill Zwicker, occupational therapist, researcher, and expert in Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD) at BC Children's Hospital is recruiting participants for a study looking at the impacts of DCD on children and their families. The request is for health professions to assist with sharing the information about this survey, as appropriate, if they are working with children with DCD. [Learn more about the survey online.](#)



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