



# CPTBC

College of Physical Therapists  
of British Columbia

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## CPTBC Connects – June 2020

**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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### Board of Directors Election Results

Thank you to the seven physical therapists who allowed their name to stand for election to the Board of Directors. It was impressive to see such interest in the work of the College.



Thanks as well to all physical therapists who voted in the recent election. We had a response rate of 22.1%, a total of 913 votes.

The CPTBC would like to welcome Maureen Duggan and Kim Hall back to the Board of Directors.

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### Message from Maureen Duggan, Board Chair on Phase 2 of BC's Restart Plan

Visit CPTBC's YouTube channel to view a [personal message from Maureen Duggan](#), Chair of the Board of Directors of the College of Physical Therapists of BC.



## COVID-19 Updates

We are currently in the midst of BC's Restart Plan. We've compiled [resources and FAQs on our website](#). College staff will continue to diligently monitor for updates and share new information with registrants as soon as it becomes available.



In the context of the ongoing pandemic, **this is not a return to business as usual** for physical therapists. We would like to thank those who are continuing to make practice accommodations to ensure the delivery of safe and timely physical therapy services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Webinar Replay: COVID-19 and Infection Control in the Physical Therapy Context

As physical therapists resume in-person services, questions come up about how to determine the level of risk of COVID-19 exposure during a client visit. A webinar was held on June 17 to explore Point of Care Risk Assessments (PoCRA) and strategies to mitigate risks using environmental, administrative, personal, and PPE measures.



Presenters described how to use PoCRAs in physical therapy practice scenarios including pediatric, long term care, and private clinics.

If you missed the webinar you can [access the recording](#). Also, [download a copy of the College's new PoCRA resource](#).

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## June Board Meeting Highlights

The Board of Directors met on June 20. Highlights include the following:

- Trudy Hubbard was sworn in as a new Public Member
- Maureen Duggan was elected as Board Chair
- Jennifer Agnew was elected as Board Vice-Chair
- The 2020/2021 budget was approved
- A new [inquiry and discipline publication policy](#) was approved
- The Board confirmed their commitment to contribute to the elimination of systemic racism by learning, understanding and taking action through education



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## Annual Board Event

The Board will host the inaugural virtual annual event for registrants on **July 23, 2020 beginning at 5:00 p.m.**

Registrants are encouraged to submit any specific topics or questions they would like addressed in advance by emailing [info@cptbc.org](mailto:info@cptbc.org).

Further information will be provided in July.



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## Registration Renewal

Registration renewal for the 2020/2021 year is currently underway and is due by **August 31, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. (Pacific Time)**. Due to the extended timeframe for renewal, the College will send one general reminder in July, and several more in August.



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## Final Extension for Corporation Renewal

At the time of publication, 95% of corporations renewed their permits. In recognition of the ongoing impact of COVID-19, the corporation renewal deadline is extended again to provide more time to those who need it. The new deadline is **June 30, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. (Pacific Time)**. This will be the final extension. Any permits not renewed by then will be cancelled.



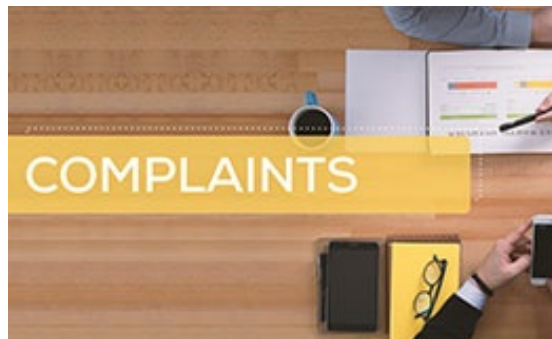
## Interim Registration and Revised PCE Schedule

The Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators (CAPR) [posted an update on June 17](#) about the Physiotherapy Competency Examination (PCE) schedule. As this is subject to change with the unpredictable pandemic conditions, CPTBC advises interim registrants to monitor the [CAPR website](#) and follow them on [Facebook](#).



## A Complaint About Professional Boundaries and Conflict of Interest

The College received a complaint from a patient (the “Complainant”) alleging that the Registrant begged for financial help during a treatment appointment.



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## Annual Self Report 2020

The Annual Self Report opened on May 11, 2020, coinciding with registration renewal. If you were a full registrant as of May 1, 2020 and intend to renew your registration for 2020/2021, you are required to complete the ASR and upload the completion certificate to your





registration renewal form.

Login credentials were sent on May 11. Can't find the ASR email? [Go to the College portal](#) and select 'Reset my password'. Note that the **password to access the ASR is different** from the one you use to complete your renewal.

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## Is Your Professional Liability Insurance Valid?

**Bylaw 82:** *All full, interim, student and temporary registrants must hold professional liability insurance in an amount of at least \$3,000,000 per occurrence.*

Remember that you must have sufficient coverage for the entire time you are a full or interim registrant. No matter how few hours you work in private practice, are temporarily unemployed or working outside B.C., you must have private insurance that is valid in this province. Please note the expiration of your policy and renew accordingly.



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## Public Advisors from the BC-PAN Pilot Phase

In the October 2019 edition of CPTBC Connects, we reported on the development of the BC Public Advisory Network (BC-PAN). This committed group bring the public voice and perspective to a diverse group of health regulators on a range of topics. The pilot phase of this group is complete. They will continue as a permanent resource to regulators.

The College is one of the BC-PAN partners. We're thankful for the opportunity to be part of broader public engagement on important issues related to health regulation in this province.



*Standing (left to right):* Margaret Jones-Bricker, Terry Browne, Shawna Bennett, Dianne Johnson, Richard Wang, Emanuela Silvestri, John Sherber

*Sitting (left to right):* Annie Danilko, Elena Kanigan, Jodi Gray

*Absent:* Marty Lingg

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## UBC Graduate Certificate in

## Primary Health Care

The Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia has designed a Graduate Certificate in Primary Health Care to support a range of practising health care professionals as they transform their approach to delivering care and improving patient outcomes.

Applications are accepted starting September 15, 2020, and the initial cohort will start in January 2021.



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## Supporting the Movement to End Racism and Discrimination

BC Health Regulators (BCHR), representing all health regulatory colleges in this province, supports the global movement to end racism and discrimination against Black and Indigenous communities and all people of colour. [Learn about the BCHR's commitment](#) to continued collaboration towards initiatives that help achieve goals of inclusivity and diversity.



The College is developing an action plan to build awareness of issues related to system bias and racism in healthcare.

## PABC Public Practice Video Planning Survey

Physiotherapy Association of BC (PABC) is developing short videos to highlight public practice physiotherapy. They are interested to know what aspects of public practice registrants think should be celebrated. [Take the survey](#) to share your thoughts and help make these videos informative and inspiring.



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