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Election Voting Deadline - February 15

On January 15, 2017, registrants received an email invitation to vote for the election of two registrants to the CDBC's Board of Directors. **Every Registrant** is eligible to vote for one of two nominees running from the Interior/North Electoral Region and one of two nominees in the Vancouver Island Electoral Region. **Votes must be received by midnight February 15, 2017.** If you haven't placed your vote, please go to your email invitation to access the online election link. Election results will be posted on the CDBC website after February 16 and included in the February Monthly Update.



Public Notification of Health Risk

Below is a public notification of health risk circulated to all BC Health Regulatory Colleges by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC:

"... the College (of Physicians and Surgeons of BC) has issued a health warning after an investigation into the unauthorized practice of medicine at a home in Delta. Upon entering the residence in December, College investigators seized surgical instruments, including syringes, needles, suture forceps, surgical clamps, surgical scissors, and scalpel blades. The investigators were not able to locate any evidence to suggest that the surgical instruments being used at the residence were being properly sterilized by an autoclave. The College of (of Physicians and Surgeons of BC) has urged individuals who received services from Ms. Xhuo (Sabrina) Li at Sabrina Permanent Make-up Studio Inc. at 10519 Modesto Place in Delta, BC, to seek clinical advice from a registered physician or nurse practitioner, and possible undergo testing for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV..."

For more information on this notification of health risk, please visit the [College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC](#) website.

Have You Created your New Online Account in the CDBC Database?

The CDBC is in the process of improving its registration database to increase overall operational efficiency, legislation compliance and cyber security. As part of this change, you will need to create a new online account to access your CDBC online profile. Follow these steps to create your online account:

1. Go to the [Registrant Sign In Page](#) on the CDBC website.
2. Click on "Create Account" (below the blue Sign In bar).
3. Select "Yes" to the question "Do you already have a CDBC Identification (ID) number?" then click "Continue".
4. Provide the following information:
 - o Your four digit CDBC registration number (available on the CDBC [Public Register](#));
Note: if your registration number is not four digits long, add a zero in front e.g. 0001
 - o Your date of birth (use the existing calendar format)
 - o A new password (please record in a safe place for future reference);
 - o A security question and answer.
5. Click on "Create Account". A confirmation page will appear once completed.



Your new online account is required to access your profile and to renew your registration in March. If you have not already done so, please take the time to create your new online account prior to the March renewal period. If you have any questions about creating your new online account, please call the CDBC office 604-736-2016 or 1-877-736-2016 toll-free in BC.

Congratulations to New Full Registrants!

Congratulations to the **32 new Full Registrants** who **passed the Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination (CDRE) on November 4th and 5th, 2016**. The College is very pleased to welcome you to the profession as Full Registrants. Your registration status has been updated from "Temporary" to "Full" registration on the [Public Register of Dietitians](#), which can be viewed on the CDBC website. There are now 1306 Registered Dietitians practicing in BC - 1290 Full Registrants and 16 Temporary Registrants - and the numbers keep growing!

Are You in the 2017 Continuing Competence Program (CCP) Group?

This is a reminder to Full Registrants in the **2017 CCP Group** who have not yet submitted their Professional Development Plan. If you missed the October 31, 2016 deadline, please login to the [online CCP](#) and complete your Self-assessment and Professional Development Plan as soon as possible.



Remember, you must successfully **complete the CCP requirement in order to renew your registration by March 31, 2017 and to avoid the \$250 non-compliance late fee.**

2017-18 Registration Renewal... Coming in Early March

Registrants will receive the online registration renewal link by email **the first week of March 2017**. The fee for registration renewal in the "Full" Registration class is \$580.00 per year.

Your new online account must be in place in order to renew your registration.



A registrant who does not renew registration on or before the **midnight March 31, 2017 deadline ceases to be registered and may not practice dietetics on April 1, 2017**. As per CDBC bylaw 49(1), renewing registration after the deadline incurs a "late" registration fee of \$250.00.

Non-practicing Registration - New since May 2016

The "**Non-Practicing**" registration class is available for current and former "full" registrants who wish to maintain College registration, use the protected title "Dietitian (NP)", but are not practicing dietetics. RD(NP)s are able to vote in College elections and participate in CDBC Committees and panels. RD(NP)s are not required to participate in the Continuing Competence Program as part of

registration. Please contact the College for more information.

Website Updates

[Website](#) updates include:

- Board of Directors:
 - [Board Meeting Minutes - December 1, 2016](#)
- Inquiry Committee Policies:
 - [Ic-01: Inspectors](#)
 - [Ic-03: Inspector Compensation](#)



You Asked About... Removal from the CDBC Register

Q: I am considering not renewing my registration with the CDBC this year. What should I do?

A: There are many reasons why registrants choose not to renew registration with the CDBC - maternity/parental leave, career change, travel, etc. If you are not practicing dietetics, you may consider relinquishing your registration with the CDBC. If you do not plan to renew your registration, you must notify the CDBC, in writing, to be removed from the CDBC register in good standing. Once you have been removed from the register, you may no longer use the title "dietitian" or practice dietetics. The title "dietitian" is protected by law. In BC, only those who have current, active registration with the CDBC may use the titles "dietitian", "registered dietitian" or RD (per [Dietitians Regulation](#)).

Q: Can I return to the CDBC in the future?

A: Yes, if you have been removed from the CDBC register in good standing, you may return to the register. However, there are certain conditions that you have to fulfill prior to being eligible to apply for reinstatement. These conditions are dependent upon the length of time you are off the CDBC register.

If you wish to return to practice after **less than 3 years off the register**, you may do so, without penalty, by submitting:

- an application for reinstatement,
- a Continuing Competence Program - Professional Development Plan
- a Consent to Criminal Record Check (CRC), a mandatory Ministry of Public Safety requirement, and
- the required fees.

If you are returning to practice after **more than 3 years, but less than 6 years off the register**, you must successfully complete the [Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination](#) in order to be eligible to apply for reinstatement.

If you are returning to practice after **6 years or more off the register**, you must:

- be assessed for currency in dietetic knowledge, skills abilities and judgement
 - If gaps are identified, you will be required to complete academic/and or practical upgrading, and
- successfully complete the [Canadian Dietetic Registration](#)



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Once both of these items are completed, you will be eligible to apply for reinstatement with the CDBC.



Questions? Comments?

Please contact the College staff if you have **questions or comments about items in this Monthly Update** or if you'd like to schedule a **CDBC liaison session with Fern**, College Registrar. Call 604.736.2016 or toll-free in BC to 1.877.736.2016, or email us at info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

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