

## CDBC Monthly Update January 2017

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### Announcement – CDBC Fees Increase

The CDBC Board of Directors and the Ministry of Health have approved a modest increase to CDBC fees for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The Board and the Ministry of Health must approve fee increases each time they are proposed. The purpose of this change is to address current operational needs at the College.

The CDBC has not increased fees since 2014. Directors considered the College's current financial situation and various strategies to meet goals of the College, as well as maintaining contingency for inquiry and discipline matters. The Board was mindful of increasing costs of living for all BC registrants and decided that a small, two percent (2%) rate increase would be preferable to a large fee change. This rate was determined from the Consumer Price Index information from BC Statistics, which shows 2% inflation, based on the 12-month average, over the last year, for BC. This practice is consistent with other Colleges in BC and across Canada. Each year, the Board of Directors will annually review the need to apply a cost of living increase according to the College's financial capacity and to meet its mandate under the [Health Profession Act](#).



The fees increase will be in effect on April 1, 2018 and applies to the 2018-2019 fiscal year. You will see a small increase in CDBC fees during the registration renewal period. Please contact the CDBC if you have any questions about the increase in fees.

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### Election Voting Deadline – February 15

On January 15, 2018, registrants received an email invitation to vote for the election of one registrant to the CDBC's Board of Directors. **Every** registrant is eligible to vote for one of two nominees running from the Vancouver Coastal Electoral Region. **Votes must be received by midnight, February 15, 2018.**

If you haven't placed your vote, please go to your January 15<sup>th</sup> 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.



The new CDBC Board of Directors will begin their new term on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, for 2 years.

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### Notice of Bylaw Amendments

On October 29, 2017, the Board of Directors approved amendments to the College's bylaws. Notice of these amendments was provided to the Minister of Health, regulatory colleges of other health professions in the province, the public, and other interested stakeholders as required in section 19(6.2) of the [Health Professions Act](#).

You can view the:

- relevant [Board resolution and schedule setting out the proposed bylaw amendments](#),
- the [redline version: CDBC-Bylaws-Redline-Oct-29-17](#), and
- the current [CDBC Bylaws](#).

If you would like to provide any feedback or comments on the proposed bylaw amendments, please provide them to the CDBC **and** the Ministry of Health, no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, January 29, 2018.



Comments and feedback may be forwarded to:

Ministry of Health	College of Dietitians of British Columbia
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### **Congratulations to New Full Registrants!**

Congratulations to the **53 new Full Registrants** who **passed the Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination (CDRE) held from November 27<sup>th</sup> to December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**. The CDRE is the national competence examination for Dietitians in Canada. It is developed and administered by the [Alliance of Canadian Dietetic Regulatory Bodies](#). The CDRE is required by every Canadian province, except Quebec, for full registration privileges.

The College is very pleased to welcome successful CDRE takers 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 1337 Registered Dietitians practicing in BC – 1312 Full Registrants, 7 Temporary Registrants and 18 Non-Practicing Registrants – and the numbers keep growing!

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### **Are you in the 2018 Continuing Competence Program (CCP) Group?**

This is a reminder to full registrants in the **2018 CCP Group** who have not yet submitted their Professional Development Plans. If you missed the October 31, 2017 deadline, please [login to your online CCP](#) to complete your 2018 Professional Development Plan as soon as possible. Remember, you must successfully **complete the CCP requirement in order to renew your registration by March 31, 2018 and to avoid the \$296 non-compliance late fee.**

Registrants in the 2018 CCP group who wish to be removed in good standing must also complete the CCP requirement by March 31, 2018.

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### **Reminder – Using Approved Courses for Proof of Competence to Practice Restricted Activities**

Restricted Activities (RAs) licenses expire annually on March 31. All registrants who plan on continuing to practice RAs on April 1, 2018, must renew licenses by providing proof of competence to practice any RA and pay the corresponding licensing fee.

Proof of competence is determined by the Registration Committee and approved by the CDBC Board of Directors. Acceptable forms of proof of competence are listed on [Form #10 – Application to Practice Restricted Activities](#) and includes specific courses. These approved courses are considered valid for a fixed period of time after the course is completed successfully (see table below).

<b>CDBC Approved Courses for Proof of Competence to Practice RAs:</b>	<b>RA Type:</b>	<b>Valid for:</b>
National Board of Nutrition Support Certification (NBNSC) established by the American Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN)	A, B & C	up to 5 years
Dietitians of Canada, Learning on Demand, Critical Care Nutrition	A and B	up to 2 years
Basic Five Enteral Workshop	A	up to 2 years
Accredited Canadian Dietetic Internship completed within the past year	A	up to 1 year
Basic Five Parenteral Workshop	B	up to 2 years
Fraser Health Authority Parenteral Nutrition Training Course	B	up to 2 years

If you wish to use approved courses as proof of competence to practice RAs, you must **ensure that the validity of your completed courses do not expire while your RA licences are active.**

Section 5 of [policy Rc-13 – Restricted Activities](#) states that “Approved courses used as proof of competence must be valid over the entire time period that the Restricted Activity license is active (i.e. April 1 to March 31 annually).

- a) Approved courses that expire on or before the first six months of the issued RA license are not accepted as proof of competence.
- b) Registrants with approved courses that expire after six months of the issued RA license must submit additional proof of competence to the CDBC, prior to the course expiry date.”

Please contact the CDBC if you have questions about [policy Rc-13: Restricted Activities](#), or using approved courses as proof of competence to practice RAs.

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### You Asked About... Liquid Hope Canada® Enteral Feeding Product

**Q: The manufacturer of Liquid Hope Canada® announced that they have “Temporary Marketing Authorization” (TMA) which permits the sale of this product in Canada. Does this mean that it is safe for Dietitians to recommend Liquid Hope Canada® to clients who require enteral feeding?**

**A:** The Regulations and Standards Division, [Bureau of Nutritional Sciences, Health Canada](#) has informed the CDBC that “Health Canada has issued a TMA for Liquid Hope last year after a full safety and nutritional assessment.” A food that has received a TMA can legally be sold in Canada without additional authorization, as it has been determined to be safe for consumption by Health Canada.

Health Canada has also informed the CDBC that “a TMA for Liquid Hope was issued in July 2017 since it meets all compositional requirements for Formulated Liquid Diet in the FDR [[Food and Drug Regulations](#)] except for one – it exceeds the maximum level for vitamin A. However, all the vitamin A in the product is provided from the food ingredients, as beta-carotene. Beta-carotene sources of vitamin A do not contribute toward the UL [upper limit] for vitamin A. In contrast to pre-vitamin A, no UL has been established for pro-vitamin A (e.g. beta-carotene), as discussed in the separate DRI [Dietary Reference Intakes] report for carotenoids. Beta-carotene and other carotenoids do not have the same toxicity profile as preformed vitamin A, and long-term supplementation with beta-carotene in people with adequate vitamin A status does not increase the concentration of serum retinol. Based on the evidence above, the amount of vitamin A as beta-carotene that is provided by Liquid Hope was determined to not be a risk to health.”

“The label review conducted by Health Canada for TMA products is only related to the ingredients (and their levels) and restrictions specified in the TMA Letter. Like for any Food manufacturers and distributors selling foods in Canada, TMA holders are responsible for ensuring their product labels are complying with applicable provisions of the [Food and Drugs Act](#) and Regulations and all other legislation and regulations applicable to foods (including the [Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act](#) and Regulations, and the enhanced food allergen labelling requirements).”

Therefore, **the CDBC advises that it is safe for Dietitians to recommend Liquid Hope Canada® as a potential option for clients who require enteral feeding.**

The CDBC’s [Code of Ethics](#) and [Standards of Practice](#) apply to the recommendation of any product, including enteral feeding formulations.

Please see the [Guidance Document for Temporary Marketing Authorization for Foods](#) for more information on TMA.

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### Questions? Comments?

Please contact 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 Joanie Bouchard**, College Registrar. Call 604.736.2016, or toll-free in BC at 1.877.736.2016, or email us at [info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org](mailto:info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org). We look forward to hearing from you!