



# Regulation MATTERS

*your regulatory e-newsletter*

## SUMMER 2023

The College e-newsletter contains information on topics intended to support the practice of Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners. It is the expectation that all registrants are aware of the matters contained therein.

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### A New Chair & By-Election Results

The College is pleased to announce that Ms. **Megan Hudson**, Regional Councillor - Labrador-Grenfell has been elected Chair of the College Council for Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador. Ms. Hudson replaces outgoing College Chair Tracy MacDonald - Central Region Councillor. The results of the by-election for the Central Region Councillor vacancy (June 2023-2024) were also announced and Ms. **Tonya Ryan** has been elected by acclamation to the position of Central Region Councillor.

### Election Results

The results of the election were published on the College website on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The following additions to the Council of the College of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador:

- **Chant, Denise** - Elected to the position of Eastern Region Councillor
- **Luther, Donna** - Elected (by acclamation) to the position of Western Region Councillor
- **Morris, Michael** - Elected to the position of Councillor At Large
- **Rodgers, Patricia** - Elected to the position of Councillor At Large

**A total of 5,259 votes were cast in this election, resulting in the highest level of voter turnout the College has experienced in years. Thank you to all candidates who put their names forward.**

## Council Highlights

The Council of the College of Registered Nurses held a meeting on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The following are some of the highlights from that meeting:

- *As previously announced, **Ms. Megan Hudson** has been elected to the role of **College Chair** and **Dr. Glyn George** has been re-elected to the position of **Vice-Chair**.*
- *The audited financial statements for the year April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 were approved as presented.*
- *Council approved the Strategic Outcomes Annual Progress Evaluation Report as evidence of satisfactory progress in the 2022-2023 period.*
- *Council was provided with an update on the ongoing regulatory reforms which aim to expedite the licensing of Canadian and Internationally Educated Nurses.*
- *Council directed staff to develop the process whereby the nominations committee can seek candidates for future Council elections within a competency-based model.*
- *Council was provided with an update on Communications with registrants and stakeholders.*
- *Council approved the agenda for the 69th Annual General Meeting.*

## 69th Annual General Meeting

The College of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador held its 69<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting on June 7th. The College leadership presented once again at the Emera Innovation Exchange Conference Centre on Signal Hill Campus and registrants and public alike had the opportunity to view proceedings virtually via WebEx. The AGM can be viewed [HERE](#).

## Annual Report 2022-2023

In June, the Minister of Health and Community Services officially received the 2022-23 Annual Report from the College of Registered Nurses. The Annual Report represents an all-encompassing look at the operations of the College and includes summarized financial statements. The College encourages all RNs and NPs to review this document by clicking [HERE](#).

## New Regulatory System - Coming Soon!

The College will be implementing new regulatory management software that will provide RNs and NPs with a new, easy-to-use registrant portal that will be available through the College website. This new state-of-the-art portal will launch in **July 2023** and will allow you to complete your annual registration renewal, log your CCP, and support other regulatory needs. Registrants will experience downtime for a short period (July 19<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>) pre-launch of the new system.

Look for important updates on the College website and [social media](#) in the coming weeks.

## Legislative Changes

In the previous quarter, the provincial government made a number of amendments to the RN Regulations which would enable the Registration and Licensing Department of the College to expedite the processing of applications for Canadian and Internationally Educated Nurses. This announcement was detailed in the [following news release](#).

## A NEW College Connection Format

As part of an updated, modernized, and strategic approach to communications, the College has seen substantial engagement with RNs and NPs via our digital platforms. Starting in the Fall of 2023, the traditional magazine format will be consolidated into the new podcast platform. The College Connection Podcast will consist of 2 seasons each year, updated weekly and feature

*Education Events, Regulatory Roundtables, and Special Events* with guest speakers on regulatory-focused themes. Subscribe to the College Connection Podcast by visiting [HERE](#)

## CCP Audit 2023

The 2023 Continuing Competency Program (CCP) Audit is underway, marking the first audit under the new program. The process for the audit consists of College officials reviewing submissions to validate that all documented learning activities occurred within the licensure year and that submissions are complete and related to professional nursing practice. As reviews are completed, registrants will receive an email with their results over the coming months as this audit will be done gradually as opposed to instantly.

To address any challenges, the College will not require resubmissions for this audit but will encourage registrants to take part in the following education event: "CCP Lessons from the Audit" on the third Tuesday of every month, starting on September 26. Some RNs and NPs will receive an email stating their attendance will be mandatory.

1497 audits have been completed to date. 954 registrants have been deemed sufficient, 356 registrants have been deemed sufficient with need for improvement, and 187 deemed insufficient.

Please visit the website or follow our socials to be updated once events are scheduled.

Click [HERE](#) for the CCP Framework & Click [HERE](#) for the CCP Guide

## Office Update

At this time, the College of Registered Nurses is operating remotely. Individuals looking to submit documentation to the College are advised to mail documents to the following:

College of Registered Nurses of NL

**1033 Topsail Road  
Mount Pearl, NL  
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