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Council Highlights

The Council of the College of Registered Nurses held a meeting on June 2, 2022. The following are some of the highlights from that meeting:

- The audited financial statements for the year April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 were approved as presented.
- In accordance with an earlier vote of Council, Ms. Tracy MacDonald and Dr. Glyn George have been elected to the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.
- College Council approved the Scope of Practice document. See Document Update below.
- Council accepted the Strategic Outcome Annual Progress Evaluation Report as evidence of satisfactory progress during the 2021-2022 period.
- Council approved the agenda for the 68th annual general meeting as presented.

68th Annual General Meeting

The College of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador held its [68th Annual General Meeting](#) on June 8th. The College works diligently to ensure our engagement initiatives are inclusive and innovative. As such, College leaders presented once again this year at the Emera Innovation Exchange Conference Centre on Signal Hill Campus and registrants and public participated virtually via WebEx and were able to watch live via Facebook link and YouTube live streams. The recording of this AGM can be found in its entirety below.



Annual Report 2021-22

In June, the Minister of Health and Community Services officially received the [2021-22 Annual Report](#) from the College of Registered Nurses. The Annual Report represents an overarching look at the operations of the College and includes summarized financial statements.

Call for Council Nominations & Digital College Connection

As previously announced, all future editions of [The College Connection](#) will be published in a digital format. We encourage all eligible registrants to take note of the upcoming issue, specifically the Call for Nominations section which will announce the upcoming positions for which registrants can join the College Council.

Enhanced Member Display

An [enhanced member display](#) for the public and employers has been launched. This updated display provides registration information of all RNs, NPs, and non-practicing members. The information includes former name(s), date of initial registration, other jurisdictions where the nurse has been licensed, and any regulatory actions/disciplinary findings.

Legislative Changes

In the most recent sitting of the House of Assembly, the legislature amended the “publication section” of the Registered Nurses Act, 2008. One of the changes as a result of this amendment means that tribunal decisions will no longer be published in a “newspaper” but will be published online via the College website under disciplinary findings along with an advisory to provincial media. For a comprehensive overview of Bill 28 please click [HERE](#).

Nurse Practitioner Exam Vendor Announced

The Canadian Council of Registered Nurse Regulators (CCRNRR) has released information on the Nurse Practitioner (NP) exam development and the name of the successful exam vendor. For more information [click HERE](#).

Strategic Planning Initiative

During the previous reporting year, the College embarked on a Strategic Planning Initiative. During the upcoming months, a consultant responsible for leading this initiative will be conducting outreach with College stakeholders.

CCP Audit - 2022

The 2022 Continuing Competency Program audit concluded on June 15th. This was the last audit using the previous program. Recently announced changes to the CCP can be found [HERE](#). To date, of the 300 Registrants randomly selected for audit, 279 (93%) Registrants initially met requirements and 297 (99%) Registrants met all requirements with follow up.

Document Update

On June 2nd, College Council approved the Scope of Practice Framework and a suite of supporting documents. For more information and to review the documents, please visit the practice topics page [HERE](#).

Updates were also made to the [English Language Proficiency](#) and [Certificate of Conduct](#) fact sheets to reflect changes in registration policies.

Financial Update

The audited financial statements for the period April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022

were prepared and presented to the College Council for approval. The year finished with \$346k excess of revenue over expenses which will be used to increase the Council directed restricted funds. Examples of this include funds to relocate the College office (building) and funds to support the PCR process.

Pre-authorized Payment Plan

The deadline for the College's Pre-authorized payment plan is June 30th, for the April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 registration year. Deductions begin on July 15, 2022. Click [HERE](#) to view the enrollment form.

Office Update

The College office at 55 Military Road is currently open. We ask if you intend to visit the physical location to call in advance to notify the party you wish to meet. Please be advised that the hours of operation throughout July and August are weekdays: 8:30am – 4:00pm.

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