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## POLICY

Section 33(3) of the *Health Professions Act* (HPA) requires all health Colleges in Alberta to collect information from all applicants for inclusion on the register. Further, in section 135.92(2)(d), the HPA requires that a subset of this information be publicly available on the College's website. Any information beyond that prescribed in legislation must be denoted in the College Bylaws.

The College's interpretation of the above requirements has implications that it will publish the following information regarding a regulated member:

- (i) member's name
- (ii) member's unique registration number
- (iii) the period of time for which the current registration is active
- (iv) conditions imposed on the member's practice permit
- (v) the status of the member's practice permit
- (vi) any specialization recognized by the College
- (vii) any information on restricted activity authorization that is beyond the norm

## REGISTRATION STATUS

With respect to (v) above, pursuant to section 33(3)(d), the College is required to list if a regulated member's permit is cancelled or suspended. It is recognized that a member's practice permit may be cancelled or suspended for reasons that are within the member's control and are not associated with regulatory intervention on the status of their practice permit. As such, the College aims to be transparent in its communication with the public and will restrict itself to use the following descriptions for a member's registration status:

- (i) **General regulated member**  
the member is a regulated member on the general register – they are permitted to practice as a dentist in Alberta to the full scope of practice as per section 3 of Schedule 8 of the HPA unless conditions are placed on the member's permit that denote otherwise.
- (ii) **Provisional regulated member**  
the member is a regulated member on the provisional register – they are permitted to practice as a dentist in Alberta to the full scope of practice as per section 3 of Schedule 8 of the HPA, unless conditions are placed on the member's permit that denote otherwise, while under the direct supervision<sup>1</sup> of a regulated dentist.

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<sup>1</sup> The College of Alberta Denturists defines **direct supervision** to be that a supervising regulated member must be on-site, at all times, that the provisional regulated member, subject to the terms of this agreement, is providing services related to the practice of the profession of denturism. Please note that the practice of denturism is not restricted to providing direct patient services, but also includes the design, construction, repair, alteration, and fitting of any complete or partial denture for the purpose of restoring and maintaining function and appearance; teaching, managing, or conducting research in the science, techniques, and practice of denturism; or providing restricted activities authorized by the *Health Professions Restricted Activity Regulation*.



- (iii) **Courtesy regulated member**  
the member is a regulated member on the courtesy register – they are permitted to practice as a denturist in Alberta to the full scope of practice as per section 3 of Schedule 8 of the HPA unless conditions are placed on the member's permit that denote otherwise. The courtesy register is used for those who will be practicing in Alberta for a specific purpose and for a finite period of time.
- (iv) **Unregulated member – practice permit was not renewed**  
The person is an unregulated member because they did not renew their practice permit as per the College's renewal timelines. As such, their practice permit is administratively suspended and then cancelled as per the timelines and notifications set out in the HPA.
- (v) **Unregulated member – at the request of the member**  
The person is an unregulated member at their choice. As such, their practice permit is administratively cancelled. This could be as a result of the following, but not limited to:
  - ☒ moving to another province
  - ☒ retirement
  - ☒ sabbatical
  - ☒ leave of absence
- (vi) **Unregulated member – cancelled**  
The person is an unregulated member whose practice permit has been cancelled for reasons usually due to a conduct process under Part 4 of the HPA. This is usually by order of a Hearing Tribunal or with due cause by the Registrar.
- (vii) **Unregulated member – cancelled as a result of a decision of sexual abuse and/or sexual misconduct**  
The person is an unregulated member whose practice permit has been cancelled as ordered by a Hearing Tribunal as a result of a finding of sexual abuse and/or sexual misconduct.
- (viii) **Unregulated member – suspended**  
The person is an unregulated member whose practice permit has been suspended for a definite period of time for reasons usually due to a conduct process under Part 4 of the HPA. This is usually by order of a Hearing Tribunal or with due cause by the Registrar.
- (ix) **Unregulated member – suspended as a result of a decision of sexual misconduct**  
The person is an unregulated member whose practice permit has been suspended as ordered by a Hearing Tribunal as a result of a finding of sexual misconduct.
- (x) **Unregulated member – suspended by Registrar due to allegations of sexual abuse and/or sexual misconduct**  
The person is an unregulated member whose practice permit has been suspended, for due cause and in the interest of public safety, by the Registrar in matters of alleged sexual abuse and/or sexual misconduct while the person is awaiting a conduct hearing.

## CONDITIONS

The Registrar may place conditions on a member's practice permit that impose limitations or augmentations on said member's practice. These conditions include, but are not limited to:

- ☒ Working under supervision
- ☒ Working with a third-party present
- ☒ Restrictions on areas of practice



## WEBSITE RETENTION

The College will maintain this publicly available information for:

- ☒ all regulated members, and
- ☒ for those individuals who have a membership status change to unregulated for a minimum period of two years past the date of the status change or for a period of time as ordered by a Hearing Tribunal.

## DEFINITIONS

none

## APPENDICES

none

## REFERENCES

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