College of Dietitians of Ontario Ordre des diététistes de l'Ontario

Board Highlights at a Glance

March 22, 2024 meeting of CDO Board of Directors



Registration Policies

Approved: Revisions to the Position Statement: Registration Requirements for Interjurisdictional Practice which improves access to continuity of care for the public and allows for externally registered dietitians to provide virtual follow-up services to Ontario clients in specific continuity of care situations.

Approved: Extension to the Brescia/Western Program accreditation deadline to May 10, 2024 to support the university's integration transition and complete EQual onboarding post-integration.



CDO Policies & Guidelines

Approved: Revisions to the College's Code of Ethics that include principles of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging; an ethical approach when using existing and emerging technologies; responsibilities of transparency in all professional and business dealings; and ethical integrity in avoiding conflicts of interest.

Approved: Policy that outlines criteria which the Board would consider when deciding to open, renew and close the Emergency Class of Registration, to align with the Ministry's legislative intentions of expediting registration, creating capacity and ensuring continuity of licensure within the provincial health-care system.



Budget Approval

Approved: 2024-25 budget and an increase to the annual registration fee of two per cent.

Learning & Reflection

A teaching and learning moment on the concept of intersectionality, a framework that describes how our overlapping social identities relate to social structures of racism and oppression. The Board reflected on the Wheel of Power and Privilege, from the Anti-Racism Strategy of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada; and a video from on the importance of intersectionality in healthcare.

Operational Highlights

Melanie Woodbeck, Registrar & Executive Director, presented the management report, which included the following highlights:

Communications

CDO has completed a brand refresh project and will launch new corporate colours and brand guidelines in conjunction with a new website this spring.

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging

CDO will contract with a consultant to assist in our work to collect EDI-B data from applicants and registrants.

Professional Practice

Professional Practice presented workshops on virtual care and social media that support the introduction of revisions to the Code of Ethics.

Registration

CDO continues to be considered a low-risk regulator by the Office of the Fairness Commissioner.