



# Expanded Mandatory Reporting Obligations for RDs

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In August 2016, section 85.5(2) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code* under the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* was amended to include additional mandatory reporting obligations for employers, those who offer privileges to members and those who associate in partnership or otherwise with members. This requires RDs who meet the above description (including but not limited to RDs who are employers) to file a written report within 30 days to the College of a regulated health professional who resigns, or voluntarily relinquishes or restricts their privileges or practice if:

1. The RD has reasonable grounds to believe that the resignation, relinquishment or restriction, as the case may be, is related to the member's professional misconduct, incompetence or incapacity; and/or

2. The resignation, relinquishment or restriction, as the case may be, takes place during the course of an investigation conducted by or on behalf of the RD into allegations related to the professional misconduct, incompetence or incapacity on the part of the member. In these cases, the report must include the nature of the allegations being investigated.

If you think that you may have a mandatory reporting obligation but are not sure, contact the College for assistance. Mandatory reporting obligations are an important part of ensuring that clients are protected and that members get the help they may need in the appropriate circumstances.