

 The College of Naturopaths of Ontario	Policy Type	COUNCIL POLICIES
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The College of Naturopaths of Ontario is a self-governing body that protects the public interest by registering and regulating Naturopathic Doctors to ensure safe, ethical, and competent naturopathic care for the people of Ontario.

1. Our major focus is on ensuring that stakeholders understand and value the College and that regulated NDs influence the health and well-being of Ontarians.

Accordingly, 60% of our resources over the planning period will be directed towards activities that will ensure that stakeholders understand and value the role of the College.

- The College supports competent and professional ND practice.
- Registrant's practice is consistent with and supported by defined professional standards and competencies.
- ND standards exist in key areas of practice.
- Registrants have access to College-developed tools to increase professionalism and standards for their practice.
- The College enforces the statutes, regulations, standards, policies and by-laws of the College and evaluation methods are valid, reliable and credible and applied fairly and consistently.
- Appropriate research is used in the development of tools to guide practitioners to make evidence informed and risk-based decisions.

2. Our secondary focus is on the College being recognized and respected as a partner in Ontario's health-care system.

Accordingly, 10% of our resources over the planning period will be focused on this area.

- Regulatory health policy related to the profession is appropriate for naturopathic practice.
- Relationships with Registrants, government and other key stakeholders are strong, collaborative and productive.
- Health care in the Province of Ontario is influenced by the work of the College.

3. Our priorities also include principles of strong governance and fiscal responsibility.

Accordingly, 30% of our resources over the planning period will be focused on this area.

- The College is financially responsible, stable and has sufficient funds to meet its mandate.
- The College is governed and operates effectively and appropriately in accordance with its legislated mandate and in keeping with the transparency principles adopted by the Council.

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April 27, 2011	January 27, 2021