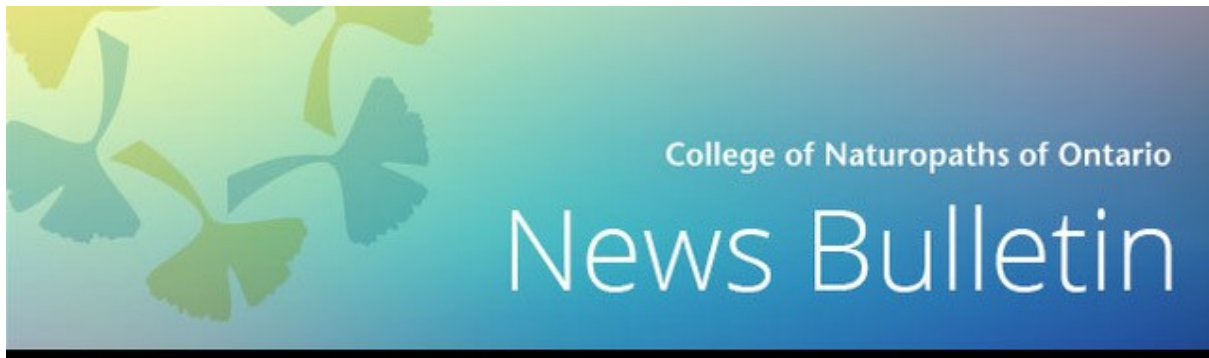


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News



Notice of Registration Fee Change

The College [by-laws \(Section 18.04\)](#) state that Member registration fees are adjusted annually by an amount equivalent to the change in the provincial [Consumer Price Index](#). They also state that Members must be notified about the change in fees that occurs as a result of this automatic increase.

Registration fees for the coming year will be increased by **1.9%**, the inflationary rate published in the Ontario Consumer Price Index.

Accordingly, fees for the registration year beginning April 1, 2020 will be as follow (not including 13% HST):

Annual Registration Fee - General Class - \$1,609

Annual Registration Fee - Inactive Class - \$807

Late Renewal Fee - All Classes - \$285

Reinstatement Fee - All Classes - \$247

To renew their registration, Members must pay the annual registration fee **and** complete the Information Return form **by 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2020**. All Members for whom the College has a preferred email address will be sent a link in February to complete their renewal online. Members are encouraged to ensure their preferred email address is listed on their account page (accessible through our [website](#)).

Questions about the fee schedule for 2020 should be directed to members@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca.

Payment Plan Program discontinued

This pilot program has been discontinued due to a number of factors. Renewal fees must be submitted in full as a single lump sum payment by no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2020.

[Read more.](#)

Think you're too busy to volunteer?

We have volunteer opportunities that require as little as 1-2 hours a month.

The College is currently recruiting NDs to fill a variety of positions including:

- Committee members,
- Exams-related roles (including examiners in French and English),
- Peer & Practice Assessors, and
- IVIT Premises Inspectors.

[Learn more and apply.](#)

College volunteers are paid an honorarium for their work. Travel and accommodation costs are also paid for volunteers who are required to meet away from their home/office. College volunteer work is also eligible for CE credits.

Updated Requirement: Advertising Self-Assessment Tool

Advertising can be an important way to let people know about your practice and services. At the same time, Ontarians have a right to accurate and honest information about their health care options.

One of the ways the College helps protect the public is by providing naturopaths with tools to help them meet their professional and legal obligations as regulated health professionals. Our Quality Assurance (QA) Committee plays a key role in responding to issues that matter to the public and/or to NDs.

The QA Committee has updated the Self-Assessment component of the QA Program. Instead of completing various self-assessment questionnaires related to the Core Competencies and Standards of Practice of the Profession, Members are now required to complete one online self-assessment questionnaire specifically focused on advertising. This interactive questionnaire will guide Members through questions designed to check and correct their advertising, including content on websites, social media channels, print and broadcast ads, and other platforms.

While the College will not review individual Members' responses, it will confirm that Members have completed the questionnaire as a declaration on the annual registration renewal form (due no later than 5:00 p.m., March 31, 2020).

The questionnaire should take about 30 minutes to complete, depending on how recently the Member reviewed their advertising and how compliant it is with what is legally allowed.

For NDs wanting to get a head start, check out the [advertising resources on our website](#), as well as the [Standard of Practice for Advertising](#) to see how your advertising and marketing materials measure up.

Complete the Self-Assessment

2020 Council Election Results

The College initiated elections for Districts 7 and 8 in November 2019 by issuing a Call for Nominations to Members in these Districts with a deadline of December 16, 2019. One nomination was received for each District and, because no other nominations were received by the deadline, both candidates were re-elected by acclamation.

On behalf of the Council of the College, we are pleased to announce the results.

- District 7 (East): Dr. George Tardik, ND
- District 8 (North): Dr. Jordan Sokoloski, ND

Both Council members will serve three-year terms beginning April 29, 2020 and ending at the Council meeting in April 2023. This will be the second full term on Council for Dr. Sokoloski, ND and the third term for Dr. Tardik, ND.

Our congratulations to the successful candidates. Your willingness to put your names forward to work on behalf of all Ontarians is most appreciated.

FAQ



This News Bulletin highlights a practice-related FAQ and response from our [Manager Professional Practice](#).

Can I include patient reviews on my clinic's Facebook page?

No. A naturopath's business or clinic Facebook page is a form of advertising and is therefore subject to the same rules as all other Member advertising. Reviews are a form of testimonials

which are not allowed. You can turn off the Facebook “review” function in a few easy steps. [The second half of this article explains how.](#)

More information on our website about advertising:

- [Advertising Do's and Don'ts](#)
- [Social Media Tips](#)

Deadlines & Reminders



- Upcoming exam registration deadlines:
 - **Ontario Clinical Sciences exam** registration closes January 16, 2020
 - **IVIT exam** registration opens March 23 - April 13, 2020
- **Mandatory privacy breach reporting** due March 1, 2020
- **Next Council meeting** January 28 & 29, 2020.
Meetings are open to the public and College Members. Seating is limited, so please register in advance if you would like to attend.

Practice Resources



Guideline spotlight: [Therapeutic Relationships and Personal Boundaries](#)

Read our latest blog posts!

- [Annual Report 1-page infographic](#)
- [Myth Busters – common misconceptions](#)
- [The Public Register: an important patient resource](#)
- [6 Tips to Avoid Insurance Related Complaints](#)

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