

# College of Naturopaths of Ontario News Bulletin

### September 15, 2020

# News

#### Renewal fees deadline

To maintain your registration in good standing with the College for the 2020–2021 registration year, payment of the reduced renewal fee **must** be made by the extended deadline of **September 30, 2020 at 5 p.m. EDT**. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact the College **well in advance** of the noted deadline.

Pay your fees online

### Paying by cheque or money order?

Registrants who are not paying online must ensure that their cheque, money order or bank draft is received by the College by 5 p.m. EDT on September 29, 2020 (note this is the day before the September 30 deadline for online payment). Your cheque or money order must be made payable to "the College of Naturopaths of Ontario".

### **CE Reporting deadline**

The Group III CE reporting deadline is September 30, 2020.

#### Do I have to submit CE Credits this year?

Your group is determined by your initial year of registration with the College. Find your reporting group <u>here on the website</u>.

#### What are the amended CE Requirements following COVID-19?

In recognition of the economic reality facing the profession due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the College's Quality Assurance (QA) Committee made an important change to the continuing

education (CE) reporting requirements.

The QA Committee has decided to reduce the number of required CE credits while ensuring the Registrants remain compliant with the Quality Assurance Program. For the next three reporting cycles through 2022, Registrants will be required to submit **two thirds** of the required number of credits for their reporting cycle.

Visit the Advisory page for more information.

#### How do I report my CE Log?

• By mail:

150 John Street, 10th Floor Toronto, ON M5V 3E3

- By fax: 416-583-6011
- By e-mail: qa@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca

#### Governance review outcomes

Last year, the Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario began a Governance review to identify and consider global trends and modern best practices that could further enhance public trust and safety in how the health professions, in particular naturopathy, are governed.

On July 28, 2020, the Council met virtually and approved two reports that are key to the way in which the Council governs the profession and the College. Both reports, the *Governance Report: A Mandate for Change* and the *Governance Implementation Plan*, set out important recommendations to the Minister of Health and changes to how the Council believes it should govern in a modern society.

Important decisions were made regarding:

- the role and size of the Council;
- the role of the Chair of the Council;
- a separation between those who govern on the Board and those who regulate;
- the Committee structures;
- the change in terminology to avoid confusion;
- the evolving nature of regulation (self-regulation vs. profession directed regulation);
- and more.

Registrants and Stakeholders are encouraged to review these documents available on the <u>Governance Review web page</u> of the College.

#### Volunteers examiners wanted

The College is searching for ND volunteers who share a passion for regulating the profession and protecting the public and who would be interested in serving as **examiners**.

Interested examiners will be required to complete a training session (conducted remotely via Zoom) for their particular exam. In exchange, examiners will be paid \$150 for the exam day, provided with lunch, reimbursed for travel/parking expenses and provided with a confirmation of participation letter that may be used towards their CE credits.

Volunteering with the College is much more than just a contribution! Read <u>5 reasons to</u> volunteer with the College for more information and apply on the <u>Volunteer Opportunities web</u> <u>page</u>.

FAQ

### Stay up to date! Find the answers to your COVID-19-related questions here.

I am thinking of bringing on a naturopathic graduate to work at my clinic. Can they practise under my licence and can they use the title ND (candidate)?

A Registrant may have a graduate work in their clinic and have them provide certain aspects of patient care while under the ND's supervision. However, there is never a situation where anyone practises under a Registrant's "licence" or registration number. Similarly to how someone who does not have a Driver's Licence cannot drive a car under someone else's licence, a naturopathic graduate cannot practise under the registration number of a naturopath.

Depending on the assessment or treatment, the graduate may provide certain aspects of care to the Registrant's patients, keeping in mind that in order for the graduate to perform a controlled act there must be a <u>delegation</u> in place.

The <u>Standard of Practice for Restricted Titles</u> outlines the titles that can only be used by Registrants of the College. The use of ND (Candidate) or ND (Graduate) is considered a variation of the naturopath title and cannot be used by a graduate.

For more information please see the article, New Graduates Working for a College Registrant.

## **Deadlines & Reminders**



- CE credits deadline: September 30, 2020. Read the changes to CE credit requirements
- Renewal fees deadline: September 30, 2020
- Ontario Clinical (Practical) Exam: registration opens on Friday, September 18, 2020
- Ontario Biomedical Exam: registration opens on Tuesday, September 22, 2020

# Practice

## Resources

<u>Telepractice Guideline</u> <u>Standard of Practice for Infection Control</u> <u>COVID-19 Reopening Guidelines</u>

### Latest Blog Post

- Providing immune support for patients during COVID-19
- Volunteer with the College
- Online Reviews and Advertising



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