

The College of Naturopaths of Ontario

News Bulletin CONO's Monthly News

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice of Change in Registration Fees

CONO's By-laws require that fees for Registration annually be adjusted by any change in the provincial Consumer Price Index (CPI). The College must also notify Members about any change in fees that occurs as a result of the automatic increase.

CONO posted its Notice for Members online on January 13, 2017, that further to the Bylaws, fees for registration will be increased by 1.8%, the inflationary rate published in the Consumer Price Index, Ontario.

Registration fees will be increased as follows for the membership year beginning April 1, 2017 (fees are due to be paid by Members by March 31, 2017. Fees below are prior to applicable taxes.):

Annual Registration Fee - General Class - \$1522.00 Annual Registration Fee - Inactive Class - \$763.00 Late Renewal Fee - All Classes - \$269.00 Reinstatement Fee - All Classes - \$232.00.

Read the full fee change Notice Here...

Should you have any questions please refer them to the Registrar, Andrew Parr, at <u>registrar@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca</u>

Members please note: This is <u>not</u> your formal notice of Registration Renewal and Fees Due. Please expect to receive that Notice by email in mid February 2017.

Get Involved with the College

The College is currently seeking volunteers for the roles of Peer & Practice Assessor and IVIT Inspectors. These are opportunities to stretch and expand your skills and knowledge and to take active roles in CONO programs that are supporting NDs in putting patients first in their practices.

Volunteer now or get more information here -

Becoming a Peer and Practice Assessor ...

or here

Becoming an IVIT Inspector ...

REMINDERS

Inspection Regulation Approved

CONO has announced that its proposed inspection regulation received Royal Assent from the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, on December 2, 2016. The regulation now appears as Part IV of the <u>General Regulation (Ontario Regulation 168/15)</u> made under the *Naturopathy Act, 2007*.

WHO is affected? Those with existing IVIT premises who are planning to continue offering IVIT services; and, those contemplating providing IVIT services.

For the College's full "Announcement" and for more information about the Program <u>*Click Here.*</u>

Some highlights of the regulation include -

Delayed Implementation

A provision in the regulation delays its implementation for 90 days from the approval date. The Inspection Program does not come into effect until March 2, 2017, therefore, giving Members who are effected and the College an opportunity to fully prepare for the implementation date.

Initial Registration & Inspections

Following the 90-days, existing locations ("premises") where IVIT is performed will have another 60-days to register the location with the College – by May 1, 2017. Inspections will not start before May 3, 2017.

Call for Submissions - Reminder Scheduled Substances and Laboratory Tests

The College is accepting submissions for recommendations to amend the following:

- The list of tests authorized under section 8(1) of the General Regulation;
- The list of tests authorized under the Laboratory Specimen Collection Centre Licensing Act and the regulation made thereunder;
- the schedules of substances (Tables 1 through 6) established under the General Regulation.

Submissions will be accepted until February 17, 2017. for more information and/or to make a submission <u>*Click Here.*</u>

Regulatory Guidance

"Regulatory Guidance" is our new title for what was formerly known as "Practice Advice."

Most "Regulatory Guidance" articles originally published in the *iNformeD* newsletter, are now available in the Member section of the website, on the newly titled page -

Regulatory Guidance ...

In addition read about "Common Record Keeping Issues" in the latest issue of *iNformeD* (Fall 2016).

Website Maintenance & Upgrade Completed

The College's website maintenance scheduled for November 24th and 25th has been completed. Among the changes made by the College has changed its server site, among other changes. As a result, there may be links on some pages that do not work or functionality that results in an error message. Please help the staff of the College by reporting broken links or any error messages to <u>registrar@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca</u>

Reminder from CONO's Membership Department

on your Professional Liability Insurance

In June 2016, the Membership Department launched a monthly audit of Members' professional liability insurance. Having professional liability insurance is not only a smart practice, it's also a legal requirement for NDs in Ontario to have, as well as having your current insurance information on record with the College.

A reminder is being sent at the beginning of each month to all Members whose insurance is expiring that month, to allow them a grace period to update their information and to prevent experiencing an unnecessary suspension and reinstatement fee.

The Membership Department looks forward to working together with Members to help them keep up to date with their insurance requirements and avoid any penalties to their current standing with the College.

Quick link: Professional Liability Insurance: Know your legal requirements

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Council Meeting –

CONO's next regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario will be held on **January 25, 2017** in the Council Chamber at the College. Observers are welcome! If you are interesting in observing this meeting, we invite you to contact the College at <u>info@collegeofnaturopaths.on.ca</u> to register.

Registration Renewal –

It's not so far off! Registration Renewal is coming up in the new year, on March 31, 2017. CONO is planning a few changes to facilitate the process. You can expect to see your first formal Notice to be sent by e-mail in mid February 2017.

Office hours

The College is open for its regular hours of Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

IN OTHER NEWS

Website Changes – CONO continues working on changes to its "Homepage" and the way the menus are displayed on the website. These changes are designed to allow for simpler ease and access. We're anticipating having the changes in place sometime in March.

RESOURCES

"iNformeD" Newsletter – Stay up-to-date on the issues that affect you, your practice and your involvement with the College, with our quarterly newsletter. The Fall 2016 issue of *iNformeD* is now available - Highlights include – What are your CPR requirements? Record Keeping Issues, CONO is furthering transparency and modernization, Becoming a member of Council - and our regular features - Discipline and Complaints decision summaries, and the Volunteer spotlight. *Find iNformeD here*

Handbooks, Tools and Forms – The College of Naturopaths of Ontario has created a number of handbooks, tools and forms to be used by the public, applicants and members of the profession. <u>*Read more...*</u>

"The College and You" Video Series – This new video series talks about the role of the College, what it means to be a member and how we serve the public interest. <u>See the Videos Here...</u>

In case you missed it ... QUICK LINKS!

Professional Liability Insurance: Know your legal requirements

Advisory – Member Website Content

Professional Corporations Register

College Program Policies

College By-laws

CONO's First Annual Report, with complete Financial Statements - 2015-2016 – Our first year as an Ontario professional regulatory health college. <u>Here's the CONO Annual</u> <u>Report ...</u>

Check out past News Bulletins from the College!

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