



College of
Midwives
of Ontario

Ordre des
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de l'Ontario

Stakeholder Feedback Survey

ATTENTION: All Stakeholders

We are seeking your feedback on proposed transparency-related and other general by-law amendments.

Deadline: December 31, 2015

In response to public demand and requests from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, all Regulatory Health Colleges, including the College of Midwives of Ontario are taking significant steps to improve transparency of member information available to the public.

A survey commissioned by the Advisory Group for Regulatory Excellence to better understand what kind of information members of the public believed was relevant in choosing a health professional, showed that the public wanted to know three things: **criminal convictions, practitioner's registration/license history and status, and complaints that resulted in formal disciplinary and/or educational action.**

The College has examined which categories of information should be posted on our public register as part of our ongoing work on Transparency and we are proposing amendments to the General By-Law. If passed, the following information will be **added** to the College's public register:

1. Written cautions ordered by the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee (ICRC);
2. Oral cautions ordered by the ICRC;
3. Specified Continuing Education or Remediation Programs (SCERPs) that include a monitoring component ordered by the ICRC;
4. Findings of guilt (criminal findings or findings under the Health Insurance Act or the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act);
5. Criminal charges;
6. Bail conditions;
7. Registration history with other regulators;
8. Alternate Practice Arrangements;
9. Names of Second Birth Attendants;

10. Past practice locations; and
11. Resignations While under Investigation.

We need to hear from our members, stakeholders and the public regarding the proposed by-laws as drafted. Your opinion is important to us and we hope you will help influence how the College responds to the growing demands and expectations of the public and government by completing the following survey.

There are 13 questions in all. You may answer some or all of the questions.

Survey questions

1. Should the College publish findings made against the member under the Criminal Code; the Health Insurance Act, or the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, made on or after March 1, 2015? (This information will be removed if the College is notified that the Member is pardoned).
2. Should the College publish charges made against the member under the Criminal Code, Health Insurance Act, or the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act on or after March 1, 2016? (Charges will be removed if the College is notified that they have been dropped or the member is acquitted).
3. Should the College publish any bail conditions that are in place on or after March 1, 2016 (this information will be removed when the College is notified that existing conditions and restrictions are no longer in place)
4. If the member is a registered midwife in another jurisdiction should the College make this information public?
5. If the member is registered in another profession inside or outside Ontario, should the College make this information public?
6. Should the College publish past practice locations for all members and relevant dates when they were at those practices?
7. Should the College publish a summary of any Alternate Practice Arrangements approved by the College?
8. Should the College publish the names and designations of all current second birth attendants, starting April 1, 2016?
9. Should the College publish Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee decisions in which the member is required to participate in a specified

continuing education or remediation program (SCERP) that includes a monitoring component? (This information will include a summary of the decision, whether the decision is being appealed, and whether the member has completed the SCERP and will be removed on the later of (1) two years from the date of the panel's decision or (2) upon completion of the SCERP). **SCEPRs that do NOT include a monitoring component will remain confidential.**

10. Should the College publish Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee decisions which include a written caution (This information will include a summary of the content of the caution, and whether the decision is being appealed. This information will be removed two years from the date of the panel's decision).
11. Should the College publish Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee decisions in which the Committee requires the member to attend before a panel of the committee in person (oral cautions)? (This information will include a summary of the content of the caution, and whether the decision is being appealed. This information will be removed three years after the date of the panel's decision).
12. Should the College publish the fact of resignation while under investigation?
13. Do you have any comments on the other non-transparency related proposed general by-law amendments?