

CRDHA Council met on December 10-11, 2021 for a two-day in person business meeting. The following are highlights of key discussions and decisions from this business meeting:

### Council Discussions:

- Council discussed restructuring the 2022 operational budget to incorporate all governance expenses into the budget and arrange expenses into business units (registration, competence, complaints, communications, etc.). The draft 2022-2023 budget will be presented to the Audit, Finance & Risk Committee in January and to Council in February for approval.
- Council welcomed guests from the Alberta Dental Association & College, the College of Alberta Dental Assistants, the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association, and the Dental Hygienists Association of Alberta to provide presentations on their respective organizations.
- Nicole Hannigan, CRDHA Compliance Advisor, presented to Council on the Standards of Practice project. Council agreed with the new format for the Standards, which will include a standard statement, performance indicators, and outcome indicators.
- Council considered the Registration Committee's recommendation to remove the middle name from practice permits. Council requested that the College explore options within the registrant database to make this an option for registrants.
- Council reviewed the Divestment of Professional Association Functions government report. They will review the report in more detail and approve it through email in early January. The report is due to the government by March 31, 2022.
- Council reviewed the current CRDHA Bylaws in detail and made key changes that will align with Bill 30 and Bill 46. The College will continue working on the Bylaws and bring it to Council in February for approval.
- Council updated the 2021-2023 strategic plan.

### Council Decisions:

- Council approved an update to the Advanced Restricted Activities policy, resulting in the requirement for applicants applying for an advanced restricted activity to demonstrate currency within 6 months of applying for the permit.
- Council approved the Registration Committee's recommendation to include a vulnerable sector check for all new and current dental hygienists. The College will implement this new requirement into the registration process for new applicants and develop an implementation schedule for current RDHs over the next few years.

### Council Working Session:

- Council held a working session to discuss stakeholder mapping and organizational risk management.

### Appointments:

- Council successfully completed the competency-based appointment process and welcomed Samantha Heron as a newly appointed Council member.
- Council appointed Mimi Godin as Chair of the Registration Committee.
- Council appointed Tyla Gill as a member of the Registration Committee.