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COUNCIL INFORMATION

On May 2, 2026, Council met in person in Saskatoon for its first meeting under the College's new appointment-based Council selection process. The meeting marked an important transition in governance, with outgoing Council members remaining in office until newly appointed members formally assumed their positions. This approach supported continuity and a smooth transfer of knowledge and responsibilities.

During the meeting, Council appointed Ms. Dawn Van Dresar as Chair and Ms. Claire Fischer as Vice-Chair, and confirmed appointments to the Finance, Human Resources, and Governance Committees.

Looking ahead, Council received a governance current-state assessment, environmental scan, and recommendations from Spark Advisory Collective. These resources will help guide discussions during Council's strategic planning session in September 2026. Council also approved revisions to its Evaluation Policy to further strengthen how Council assesses its performance and effectiveness.

Council approved the 2026–2027 operating budget, with licensure fees remaining unchanged. The budget reflects the College's continued strong financial position and supports ongoing operations and priorities. Council also appointed Lingard + Dreger LLP as the College's external auditor for the upcoming fiscal year.

Council reviewed the *What We Heard Report* from the consultation on proposed amendments to Regulatory Bylaw Section 43. Feedback showed broad support for advancing independent dental hygiene practice in Saskatchewan and recognized the proposed framework as an important step toward supporting professional autonomy while maintaining public protection. Participants also identified areas where additional clarity and refinement would be beneficial.

The feedback received through the consultation is being incorporated into the next draft of the bylaw before it is submitted to the Ministry of Health for review. Council thanks all participants who shared their perspectives and will provide further updates as this work progresses.

COLLEGE UPDATES

The College continues to monitor developments and participate in discussions related to the future implementation of *The Regulated Health Professions Act*. In June, the College participated in a Ministry of Health workshop with Saskatchewan health profession regulators to review draft General Regulations and Restricted Activities Regulations that will support implementation of the legislation. The workshop provided an opportunity for regulators to share feedback, discuss practical considerations, and provide perspectives on the proposed

regulatory framework. The College will continue to participate in consultation opportunities and monitor developments as this work progresses.

Summer is a busy time for staff as we process applications from new graduates entering the profession and prepare for the upcoming licensure renewal period. We extend our congratulations to Saskatchewan Polytechnic's graduating dental hygiene class and welcome all new registrants beginning their careers in Saskatchewan.

RENEWAL REMINDERS

Licensure renewal will open on **September 15, 2026**. To ensure a smooth renewal process, please review the following reminders:

- Renewal must be completed, including payment, by October 20, 2026, to avoid a late fee.
- If you obtain your Professional Liability Insurance (PLI) through membership with the CDHA, you must renew your CDHA/DHAS membership before renewing your licence with the College. Membership renewal with them is now open.
- If you obtain Professional Liability Insurance through another provider, please confirm that your policy meets the requirements outlined in the College's Professional Liability Policy before completing your renewal.
- If you are in the 2023–2026 Continuing Competency reporting period, you must have met all Continuing Competency Program (CCP) requirements before renewing your licence. We strongly recommend reviewing your continuing competency record to ensure you are on track.
- If you do not plan on renewing your license, please inform us by email admin@cdhsk.ca.
- Step-by-step renewal instructions are available [here](#).

OFFICE INFORMATION

If you are planning to visit the College office, please call ahead or arrange an appointment to ensure staff availability. As a small team, advance notice helps us ensure that we can assist you during your visit. Street parking is available, and building access can be obtained using buzz code **0006**.

On behalf of the College and Council, we
wish you a safe and enjoyable summer!