Case Scenario: Forms, Record Keeping and Accountability

Riya, an occupational therapist (OT), works as an independent contractor in the insurance industry. Riya has just finished seeing her client Mrs. Tomley and recommends a hydraulic height adjustable work station for her. Riya completes the necessary form and documents her actions in Mrs. Tomley’s clinical record. She is aware that the insurer can take some time to process the form and she is worried they might try to contact her while she is away on maternity leave.
Riya asks her colleague, Matt if she can transfer the file to him. She explains what she has done thus far, provides the equipment application form that she has completed for the workstation and asks Matt to sign off on it and submit it. Matt, who has not seen the client wonders what he should do.

Q&A: Treating a Friend’s Child

"I have practiced as an OT in paediatrics for about 10 years. My friend has asked me to assess and treat her child who was been recently diagnosed with autism. I have lots of experience working with children with autism and think I would be a great resource for my friend. Am I able to provide occupational therapy services to her child?"

Reminders

New Self-Reporting Requirement and MyQA Deadline

New Self-Reporting Requirement

During 2018 renewal, OTs will be asked to report events or circumstances, which can include physical or mental conditions or disorders, which do or will impact their ability to practice safely and professionally.

If there is a change to the information reported during renewal, OTs will be required to report the change to the College within 30 days of its occurrence. Learn more about this new reporting requirement here.

MyQA: PD Plan Due Date - May 31

By now you should be working on your 2017 Professional Development (PD) Plan. Your PD plan is due May 31, 2018.

Log in and select MyQA to complete your PD Plan now.

View the latest information about deadlines, status of your requirements, access to information and more in Finding Your Way in MyQA.
Consultation on Revised Standards for Psychotherapy

There's still time to share your feedback! The College has proposed changes to the Standards for Psychotherapy and we would like to hear from you.

The deadline to submit is March 29, 2018 at 4:00pm.

Survey on Consent and Capacity

The Federation of Health Regulatory Colleges of Ontario is looking for input from health professionals in Ontario regarding consent and capacity.

We are requesting your input and encourage all registrants to respond to the survey by April 15, 2018.

Open Consultation on Proposed Changes to College Bylaws

The College is proposing changes to its bylaws. The purpose of the proposed changes is to:

- remove unnecessary duplication of current requirements in the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 (RHPA)
- ensure College bylaws are consistent with recent amendments to the RHPA

Some of the changes result from changes to the RHPA that are already in effect. Please note: The proposed changes listed in questions 2, 3 and 4 of the survey are required by law. We welcome your comments, however any feedback we receive about these questions will not change the outcome of this consultation.

View the online survey here or access additional information online.

The consultation will close at 4:00 pm on Friday, May 11, 2018.

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Council Election Results

Thank you to everyone who voted and stood for nomination in this year's College Council elections. Congratulations again to Heather McFarlane, Teri Shackleton and Stephanie Schurr — your new College Council members.

Heather, Teri, and Stephanie will begin their three-year terms in March 2018.

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

Any changes to your profile information in the last 30 days? Make sure you update your profile.

PLEASE DO NOT UNSUBSCRIBE IF YOU ARE A REGISTRANT OF THE COLLEGE.

If registrants unsubscribe, they will be contacted to re-subscribe. The College communicates to OTs by email regarding changes to standards, mandatory registration requirements, public consultations and more. We strive to keep communication relevant and to a minimum.