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Agenda

1. Understanding Regulation
2. The Role of OTs in Self-regulation and Governance
3. The Role of a Council Member at the College
4. Some College Priorities
5. Time Commitment
6. Logistics
7. Questions
Why Regulation Matters:

The regulation of health professionals matters because:

• It protects the public’s right to quality health care services.
• It sets and enforces standards and guidelines for the practice and conduct of its members.
• It takes action when members of the public have a concern about their health care.
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What is your role in self-regulation?

Take an active part in protecting the public by:

• Participating in the election by supporting a nomination and voting.
• Standing for election and if elected, serving on Council.
What is the role of a Council member?

- To make decisions in the public interest
- To participate on statutory and other committees
- To participate in decision-making about:
  - Standards of practice and professional conduct
  - Competencies for entry to practice and ongoing practice
  - Policies, regulations and bylaws of the College in accordance with relevant legislation
  - Programs, enforcement, transparency
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Current College initiatives include:

• CORECOM
• Review of governance
• Performance measurement
• Quality Assurance competency assessment project – risk based
• COVID-19
• Focus on Diversity
Meetings and Time Commitment:

- Election is for a Council role
- Terms: Oct 2020– March 31, 2022/23
- 4-5 full-day Council meetings a year
- Each Council member sits on 1-2 statutory committees, subcommittees or working groups, which typically meet once/month
- Meetings require up to 0.5 day preparation time
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Council and Committee Training

- Orientation
- On-boarding process
- Professional learning and development
- Ongoing staff support
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Competencies to Effectively Participate on Council

• Registered OT
• No identified concerns within past 6 years
• Ability to make decisions in the public interest
• Effective communicator
• Ability to participate in collaborative decision making
• Analytical, rational, objective
• Knowledge of societal values, human rights, social justice
• Integrity
• Capacity to meet demands of role
Calendar of Meetings

March   Council Meeting & Election of Officers

June    Council Meeting

October Council Meeting plus an Education Day

January Council Meeting
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Statutory Committees

- Executive
- Registration
- Inquiries, Complaints, Reports
- Discipline
- Fitness to Practise
- Patient Relations
- Quality Assurance
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Elections Process

• Ontario has 6 voting districts
• Districts usually vote on a 3-year rotating schedule
• 2020 Special Elections will be held in:
  ✓ District 1 (Toronto and area)
  ✓ District 2 (Hamilton and area)
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Elections Process

District 1 (Central East)

• Electing 1 member
• District 1 is composed of: The Municipality of Toronto, counties of Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough, Simcoe and Kawartha Lakes, and regional municipalities of Durham, Peel and York
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District 2 (Central West)

- Electing 1 member
- District 2 is composed of: The counties of Brant, Dufferin and Wellington, and the regional municipalities of Haldimand, Norfolk, Halton, Hamilton, Niagara and Waterloo.
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Elections Process

• Elections (including nominations) are conducted electronically.
• Ensure your email is correct in your member profile which can be accessed through the registrants login section of the College website [www.coto.org](http://www.coto.org).
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Important Dates:

• Nominations Open: July 8, 2020
• Nominations Close: August 27, 2020 at 4PM
• Voting Opens: September 15, 2020
• Voting Closes: September 30, 2020
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Questions?
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