

CRDHA Council met on February 26 and 27, 2021. The majority of the agenda for February 26<sup>th</sup> was dedicated to discussions on matters related to finance.

The following are highlights of key discussions and decisions from the meeting:

### Council Discussions:

- Council welcomed guests from Yaremchuk & Annicchiarico LLP, RBC Wealth Management, and BMS Group who provided presentations and information to council on restricted funds, investments, and professional liability insurance, respectively.
- Council reviewed and discussed the Council Skills Matrix to identify any gaps in desired skillsets, the impact of Bill 30 which, as of April 1, 2021 will require all healthcare regulatory councils to be comprised of 50% public members, and the upcoming term expiry dates for existing Council members.
- Council continued to discuss Bill 46 and the implications on the College. Bill 46 is the most extensive set of amendments to the HPA in 20 years, and will require the College to develop new regulations, bylaws, standards of practice, and regulatory practices. Bill 46 will require regulatory colleges to cease doing any work deemed association related, such as fee negotiations, collection of association membership fees, events, awards, etc.

### Council Decisions:

- Council approved the 2021-2022 Operating Budget and the 2021-2022 Fee Schedule. Practice permit fees did not increase again this year.
- Council approved policies related to Finance, Internally Restricted Funds, Investments, Council Code of Conduct, and Council Conflict of Interest.
- Council made the decision that, due to the ongoing global pandemic, both online and blended CPR certification options at the Basic Life Support (BLS) or Healthcare Provider CPR certification level will be accepted for 2021.
- Council made the decision that, due to the ongoing difficulties of obtaining clinical practice hours during the COVID-19 pandemic, the College may provide registrants whose reporting period ends October 31, 2021 with extra time required to acquire their 600 practice hours based on individual assessment.