

Council Highlights

September 20 & 21, 2007 council meeting

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Strategic planning session

Council met on September 20 to review and refine the three strategic goals agreed to at its June meeting. Council approved these goals and associated values, objectives, and key performance indicators. The registrar will draft a strategic goals action plan for council's November meeting.

PDAP CE-plus option

Council endorsed the addition of a CE-plus option for PDAP, which was the consensus of a board of examiner's task-force meeting held on August 2-3. College registrants will receive an *FYI* with further information on the task force's decision-making process and links to related materials.

Professional practice policies

Medication management

Council approved Professional Practice Policy 58, developed following a consultation process with provincial pharmacy and health-professions stakeholders. PPP58 is not a stand-alone practice policy, and registrants cannot use PPP58 without completing an orientation session, which is under development.

Telepharmacy

Following a successful pilot program, council approved amendments to Professional Practice Policy 55, for rural and remote B.C. communities.

Mandatory professional liability insurance

With enhanced scope of practice opportunities (e.g., medication management) in the near future, now is a good time to look at this issue. Council has the authority to develop a professional liability insurance bylaw as a condition of pharmacist registration, and approved in principle mandatory professional liability insurance, with minimum coverage of \$2 million. Council asked that a suggested start date and proposed compliance method be provided at its November meeting.



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Registrant background checks

Council instructed the registrar to invite a provincial government representative to present information on a Health Professions Act requirement of criminal record reviews for registrants of self-governing health-care organizations.

Inter-provincial collaborations

Council approved the development of an initiative between the CPBC and the Alberta College of Pharmacists to share documents, programs, and other resources in the development of policies and programs beneficial to both regulatory bodies.

Finances

Council approved the 2008-2009 budget as presented and requested that future budget statements include a notation for items that increase or decrease by 15 per cent. Council also approved a \$20 reimbursement per councillor/per meeting for miscellaneous supplies, and an increase in college mileage reimbursement from \$0.40/km to \$0.50/km.

Awards program

Council approved the following nominees as recipients of college awards: Five Star Pharmacist – Rob Williamson; Award of Excellence in Community Pharmacy Practice – Ada Poon; Award of Excellence in Hospital Pharmacy Practice – Greg Atherton; Volunteer Honour Roll Gold Certificate – Kathy McInnes; and 31 Silver Certificate and 120 Bronze Certificate recipients. There was no nominee for Award of Excellence in LTC Pharmacy Practice.

Prescription drug returns

A patient's request that council reconsider legislation prohibiting the return of previously dispensed drugs prompted council to review this law. Council has reviewed the legislation on several occasions in the past. Due to concerns of potential tampering and contamination, council decided against recommending a change to the current legislation.

PharmaNet committee

Council approved the following three-year appointments to the PharmaNet committee: Dr. Bruce Carleton; Mark Collins; Linda Gutenberg; Dr. Larry Lynd; Melva Peters; Dr. Stephen Shalansky; and Dr. Robert Vroom.

Drug Schedule Regulation amendments

Council approved a number of recommended amendments to the Drug Schedules Regulation. The full list of recommended amendments appears in the meeting minutes – see below.

Council meeting minutes

A draft copy of the September 20 and 21 council meeting minutes is posted on the college website at http://www.bcpharmacists.org/AboutUs/MinutesCouncilMeetings/tabid/153/Default.aspx.

Next council meeting November 23.