



## **Highlights of the March 22, 2013 Meeting of Council**

The second meeting of the year was held on March 22, 2013 by conference call. We had six members of Council attend the meeting.

### **Registration Process**

#### *National Exam*

The results of the January exam were shared with Council. Saskatchewan graduates are continuing to perform well on the PCP exam. The first full class of ACP students wrote the January exam and was not quite as strong as the PCP candidates.

The COPR Exam Committee is holding a face-to-face meeting in June along with the annual face-to-face COPR meeting. The Executive Director and President will be attending with costs covered by COPR as they hold positions on the COPR Exam Committee and Council.

#### *Jurisprudence Exam*

Work is continuing on determining how the College can implement a jurisprudence test at the lowest possible cost with the goal to be as electronic as possible.

#### *EMR Exam*

Council reviewed the results of the most recent sittings of the EMR exam. The passing rate continues to improve. With the last writing in January, more applicants passed than failed for the first time.

### **Scope of Practice and Protocols**

#### *PCP Scope of Practice*

Consultations with stakeholders are underway on the draft plan. SCoP has received support from the College of Physicians and Surgeons (CPSS) to communicate the draft plan to members at the Annual General Meeting provided that we emphasize that the changes to the PCP scope of practice still require approval from CPSS.

Council was advised that all remaining EMT-As and EMT-Ps have received, by registered mail, an explanation of the change to their licence level and a copy of the required declaration form. Many of the EMT-As and EMT-Ps are submitting the declaration to the College so that their licence level can be changed to ICP or ACP. However, some members have yet not responded.

#### *Protocol Manual*

A draft of the revamped protocol manual, with the PCP scope changes, is ready to go the Provincial Emergency Services Practice Committee in April and then to CPSS in June.

## **SCoP Council and Committees**

### *SCoP Strategic Plan Update*

The Strategic Plan has been communicated to our members and stakeholders. There will also be a presentation on it at the AGM in April. Further work needs to occur on putting actions and resources to the plan.

### *Risk Management Planning*

Risk Management Planning was tabled to the next face to face meeting.

### *Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation Membership and Webinars*

SCoP is now a member of CLEAR. We are testing some of their educational programs by purchasing a package of five one-hour webinars on board member training. Any Council or committee members in Regina for the dates of these webinars are invited to attend these courses at the College office.

## **Stakeholder Meetings and Conferences**

### *Canadian Medical Association Assembly of Health Professions*

CMA sponsors an annual February meeting for self-regulating health professions. This is the first year that the College has been able to attend. Discussions occurred on processes to report exam results to training institutions, students completing clinical time in jurisdictions other than their own and the NOCPs. It is hoped that the College can participate in a CMA accreditation site visit in the future to assist with our knowledge on this process.

### *Ministry of Health Clinical Working Group to Support CEC Implementation*

The Ministry of Health has organized a series of in person and conference call meetings to discuss the CEC implementation. Council members have been participating in these meetings to ensure that the College remains informed and involved.

### *Provincial Emergency Services Practice Committee*

PESPC will be meeting on April 9, 2013. The revised protocol manual along with the PCP scope of practice changes will go to PESPC at that time. Also on the agenda are changes to the C-spine and anaphylaxis protocols and report on the MFI protocol.

### *Saskatchewan Academic Health Sciences Network – Paving the Way for Preceptors Forum*

The College has been asked to participate in this forum in May. Dan Lewis will be representing the College at that time.

### *SEMSA Annual Convention and Trade Show*

Council has supported one Council member and one staff member attending the annual convention.

### *Annual General Meeting*

Council approved the draft agenda which will now be released to our members. The Minister responsible for Rural and Remote Health, Randy Weekes, will bring greetings from the province and speak on CECs.

The cutoff date for registration for the AGM has been changed to April 12<sup>th</sup>. A further email to all members will be sent out shortly and will include the Annual Report, the AGM agenda and the AGM registration form.

### **College Personnel**

Council was advised that the College had received resignations from the Administrative Assistant and from the Administrative Clerk within two weeks of each other. Both employees advised that salaries were an issue.

The Executive Director and Office Manger reviewed current Saskatchewan salaries to make a determination of how the College could remain a competitive employer. In addition, the duties of the College were reviewed in order to determine what skillset was needed by the College. An Administrative Assistant is still required and an offer, at an increased salary, had been made just prior to the Council meeting and was pending acceptance. In addition, Counsel accepted the proposal that the Administrative Clerk position be eliminated and a new position for a communications person be created. They were advised that the budget could sustain these changes.