

Special Council Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2024

Present

P. Sullivan, Chair	T. Hands	G. Oltmann
H. Anyia	J. Hess	F. Osime
J. Armitage	S. Larmour	V. Rathi
L. Carpenter	R. Lastimoso Jr.	M. E. Renwick
T. Crowder	S. Leduc	M. Sheculski
R. Dunn	D. May	D. Thompson
D. Edwards	E. Mutia	K. Wagg
G. Fox		
T. Fukushima		

Regrets

A. Arkell	C. Hourigan	M. MacDougall
S. Douglas	R. Kaur	L. Poonasamy
J. Farag	M. Krauter	D. Scott
M. Hogard		

Guests

J. Maciura, SML Law

Staff

A. Brennand	A. McNabb	S. Vogler
S. Crawford	S. Mills	A. Vranichidis
J. Hofbauer, Recorder	E. Tilley	

Land Acknowledgement

P. Sullivan shared a Land Acknowledgement.

Agenda

The agenda had been circulated and was approved on consent.

Conflicts of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared related to the Council agenda.

Registration Regulation

Council received briefing materials including updated registrant, applicant and system partner feedback on the proposed revisions to the registration regulation related to the education requirement. The revised regulations were circulated for 30 days in accordance with the consultation period approved by the Minister of Health. J. Maciura from Steinecke, Maciura and LeBlanc joined the meeting.

P. Sullivan, Council President, highlighted Council's previous discussions and decisions related to the proposed regulation changes, including approving a revised draft regulation for circulation in March of 2024.

S. Crawford, Registrar/Executive Director & CEO, highlighted CNO's ongoing commitment to enhancing access to registration for qualified applicants. She flagged CNO's due diligence in considering feedback to the first draft regulation, exploring new evidence and consulting with system partners in developing the revised regulation.

E. Tilley, Manager of Regulatory Policy highlighted the rationale for the proposed regulation changes as well as an overview of new feedback received from registrants, applicants and system partners related to the proposed regulatory revisions.

In discussion, it was confirmed that there were no changes to the additional proposed registration requirement to complete a course to support safe transition to practice into Ontario's health care system.

It was also noted that applicants will need to meet other registration requirements including language fluency and the registration examination.

In March, when Council approved the draft amended regulations for circulation, it confirmed that it believed the regulations were in the public interest. Following review of the feedback, Council confirmed it still believes the proposed changes are in the public interest.

Motion 1

Moved by R. Lastimoso Jr., seconded by E. Mutia,

That Council approve the amendments made to Ontario Regulation 275/94 under the *Nursing Act, 1991* as proposed in attachment 1 to the briefing note and that the Registrar and President are authorized to sign any government proposed form of the changes that align with the intent of the changes approved by Council as well as housekeeping amendments.

CARRIED

Conclusion

S. Crawford thanked Council and noted that next step will be submission of the regulation change to the Minister of Health. She highlighted the staff's commitment to implementing this regulatory change in a way that supports public safety and confirmed that Council will receive updates as work on implementation proceeds.

The special meeting of Council concluded at 7:35 p.m., on completion of the agenda and consent.