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I hope you're having an excellent summer and welcome to the July edition of Perspectives.

In this month's blog, we explore the value of becoming a supervisor. With universities increasing enrollment in physiotherapy programs to help meet growing need, supervisors are more essential than ever. And – as we learn in the blog – it's not just students or residents who benefit from these partnerships.

I'd also like to draw your attention to four new Standards and the Code of Ethical Conduct, which go into effect on August 1. These were approved by the Board last month as part of a national initiative to modernize our Standards. Please take some time to review them, and expect a more detailed email, featuring the most important things to know, in your inbox later this month.

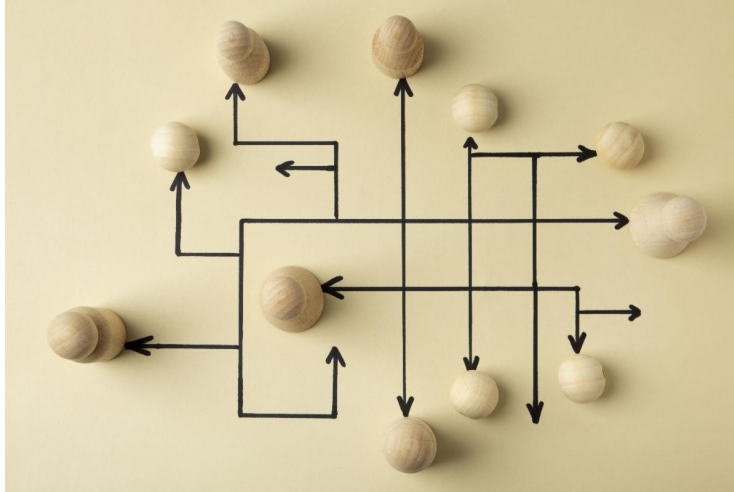
I want to thank everyone who provided feedback on these Standards and remind you the third group of proposed Standards is open for consultation until August 24. As always, your input is important and will help shape how these Standards are implemented for all physiotherapists in the future.

Also in this newsletter, we examine the consequences of misrepresentation of physiotherapy services in a new case of the month, highlight key things to know about advertising, and share details about a current job opening for a PT to join our Practice Advice team.

All the best,



Craig Roxborough
Registrar and CEO



Following their approval by the Board, four new Standards of Practice will go into effect on August 1, 2024:

- Assessment, Diagnosis, Treatment
- Communication
- Duty of Care (this will replace the Providing and Refusing Care Standard, which will be rescinded on August 1)
- Risk Management and Safety

The College has also adopted the revised national Code of Ethical Conduct, effective August 1.

Please take some time to familiarize yourself with the new Standards and Code of Ethical Conduct and look out for a further email from the College, during the last week of July, with more detailed information.

[Review the Standards](#)

New Blog: Being a Supervisor

Do you remember your first experiences as a physiotherapy student on placement in a clinic or hospital? What about your supervisor or other experienced PTs you worked with?

In this month's blog, we explore the essential role a supervisor plays in a new physiotherapist's career and hear why current PTs may want to consider putting their names forward.

[Read the Blog](#)



[Job Opportunity: Join Our Practice Advice Team](#)

The College is recruiting an experienced physiotherapist to join us as a full-time Practice Advisor. This is a home-based role, but occasional travel to Toronto and other areas of the province will be required.

We'd love to hear from you if you have the following skills and experience:

- Registered PT with at least seven years of experience
- Excellent listening and communication skills
- Ability to calmly and confidently handle all types of public inquiries
- Strong understanding of College standards and the unwritten standards of the profession
- Excellent presentation and facilitation skills

Applications will be accepted until August 6, 2024.

[See the Full Job Posting](#)

Case of the Month: Misrepresentation Leads to Investigation



Physiotherapy assessments must always be performed by a physiotherapist and cannot be delegated to a physiotherapist assistant. If a patient is not assessed by a physiotherapist, services provided during subsequent appointments cannot be billed as physiotherapy.

In a new Case of the Month, we learn about a physiotherapist who used their name and registration number to invoice for services provided by an athletic therapist, despite the fact the PT had never assessed the patients and didn't develop their treatment plans.

[Read the Case](#)



Featured Standard: Advertising

Physiotherapists are responsible for any advertisement over which they have control.

Physiotherapists must review the advertisements placed by others on their behalf to ensure that they meet the expectations in the Advertising Standard.

For example:

- All information in an advertisement must be true, accurate and verifiable.
- Advertisements must not state or imply a guarantee of treatment results.
- Advertisements must only contain information about services for conditions that the physiotherapist is competent to diagnose and to treat.
- Advertisements must not include claims of superiority.

Advice from the Practice Advisors when it comes to advertising:

Stop: Stating or implying a guarantee of treatment results in your advertisements.

Start: Ensuring the contents of your advertisements meet the expectations of the Standard. You must be able to prove that the information in the advertisement is true.

For more information, review the **Advertising Standard**.

[Read the Standard](#)

Practice Advice Question

I'm going on parental leave. What do I need to do to manage my registration with the College?

[Get the Answer](#)

Myth vs. Fact

Physiotherapists can delegate certain controlled acts to another health professional.

Is this a myth or a fact?

[Find Out](#)

Consultations Reminder

As we get set to implement the first set of new Standards, consultations continue for others as part of our phased approach.

The College is asking for your feedback on the following proposed Standards:

- Collaborative Care
- Conflict of Interest
- Dual Practice
- Infection Control

These consultations close on Saturday, August 24. Visit the Consultations page for more information.

[Consultations](#)

New ODSP Resource

The Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services has redesigned its virtual guide to better support healthcare professionals who complete disability applications for patients applying for the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).

This move is aimed at reducing the administrative burden on healthcare workers.

[Access the Guide](#)

[Get information about the Disability Determination Package \(DDP\)](#)



The College would like to welcome our newly registered physiotherapists.

[View the List](#)



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