

## **Professional Conduct Committee Report to the CDSS Council (January 2023)**

The Professional Conduct Committee (PCC) continues to operate under the mandate of the Dental Disciplines Act.

The Professional Conduct Committee is a Statutory Committee required under the Dental Disciplines Act (The Act) Section 28(1), stating each association shall establish a Professional Conduct Committee. In addition, as required under The Act Section 15 (2) (f) (i) each association can make bylaws to prescribe procedures for the review, investigation and disposition of complaints by the PCC or the mediation of complaints alleging that a member is guilty of professional misconduct or professional incompetence.

The PCC includes Registrants of the CDSS as well as a member of the public. Between the submission of this document and the January Council meeting, Marion Lafreniere will have retired. She was instrumental in her role as Director of Professional Standards and Complaint Process. Deanna Lockinger, who is the Coordinator of Professional Standards and Complaint Process will be working closely with the PCC and we look forward to working with her.

The PCC continues to work closely with the Advertising Review Committee as well as the Quality Assurance Committee. The PCC relies on the expertise and analysis of both of these committees to aid in its decision making.

The PCC investigates and provides a written report on all complaints that are forwarded to it by the Registrar of the College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan. Following the review of each case, the PCC will arrive at one of the three decisions:

- i) Request that the Discipline Committee hear and determine the formal complaint set out in the written report.
- ii) No further action is warranted on the facts of the case.
- iii) The matter will be resolved and no further action will be necessary after signing and meeting the requirements of a Consent to Conditions agreement.

At the writing of this we don't have year-end numbers for 2022 but we may be able to provide those at the time of the council meeting or as an update.

Shortly before the Fall Council meeting, the PCC had an in-person committee meeting. The minutes from that meeting were submitted to the CDSS Office.

Thank you to all the members of the PCC who dedicate enormous amounts of their time, experience, and knowledge to help ensure that this vital role of the CDSS is executed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Drew Krainyk, Chair