College of Pharmacists of British Columbia

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Key Highlights

Part 2: Board

The bylaws governing the Board establish the formal rules that guide how the Board functions. Part 2 outlines the framework for Board decision-making, meeting procedures, role definitions, responsibilities, conflict of interest, and the process for creating new bylaws.

The *Health Professions and Occupations Act* (HPOA) introduces the following requirements, which informed the development of the proposed HPOA Bylaws of the College related to the Board:

- Board member elections are discontinued. All Board members will be appointed by the Minister of Health on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Health Professions and Occupation Oversight.
- The Minister will appoint 8-12 members to the Board through a merit and competency-based appointment process with equal representation of public and health professional appointees.
- The Board will continue to have chair and vice chair roles.
- The Board is required to establish and maintain written policies and procedures related to board member conflict of interest.
- The Board must seek the advice of appointed professional standards advisors when making bylaws related to eligibility standards, ethics standards and practice standards.
- The Board is required to follow guiding principles including protecting the public from harm and discrimination, supporting reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and taking anti-discrimination measures including measures to address Indigenous-specific racism. The Board must consult with Indigenous governing bodies or other entities representing Indigenous peoples when making standards respecting anti-discrimination measures relevant to Indigenous identity.
- Remuneration and reimbursement of Board member expenses must be established within the College's bylaws.

The <u>full part</u> of the proposed HPOA Bylaws is available on the College's Website.

Note: This document provides key highlights only and is not intended to serve as a comprehensive summary of the proposed bylaws. The proposed bylaws may change based on feedback received during consultation.

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