

# REPORT

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Fazal Khan, Registrar, CEO

**DATE:** December 4, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Registrar's Report

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## Highlights:

- Government Relations and Pending Regulations
- External Relations
  - Event dates
- Collaboration Efforts

## Government Relations and Pending Regulations:

The Ministry of Health had assured us that our pending Registration and Professional Misconduct regulations will now be prioritized, along with consideration to be given to our request for an exemption for Spousal Treatment with the passing of the Emergency Regulation this past August. There have been somewhat regular communications between the College and the Ministry staff this fall indicating that there may be some progress on our file.

## External Relations:

The fall is always a busy season for the College. The College has already participated in the following events:

**September 9, 2023:** Ontario Opticians Association (OOA) CE Event and Tradeshow

**October 19<sup>th</sup>:** NACOR national regulatory meeting (BC)

**October 27-29<sup>th</sup>:** Registration Exams-Toronto

**October 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Georgian College Student presentation

**November 4<sup>th</sup>:** Ontario Opticians Association Student Night

**November 5<sup>th</sup>:** Ontario Opticians Association Toronto Trade Show & CE Event

**November 12<sup>th</sup>:** AOE CE Day and Tradeshow.

**November 17-19<sup>th</sup>:** Registration Exams-Ottawa

These events have been well attended with excellent engagement at all venues. Our presentations remain well attended with registrants asking practice advice questions and the staff at the booth report that registrants regularly come by to seek guidance on registration and quality assurance related matters.

### **Collaboration Efforts**

The COO will be partnering with the College of Optometrists as part of our strategic initiatives, to engage the Indigenous community as we seek input to assess challenges, they may face in accessing eye health care services and to inform the development of standards of practice around Cultural Safety and Humility which would guide both professions. This collaborative effort would not only result in costs sharing, but it would also assist in developing aligned standards which would benefit both professions and ultimately the patient.

The COO will be hosting the College of Respiratory Therapists at our office as part of a pilot program to explore space sharing to utilize the premises when not in use by our organization. Dependent on the number of days and the number of partners, the College could realize premises cost savings of 20-50%. As part of the project, the College will incur some startup costs in the way of equipment upgrades at workstations as well as some cosmetic alterations to reflect a joint premises.

Respectfully submitted by:

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