



## **Council Highlights – September 23, 2016**

Below is a summary of key decisions taken by Council at its meeting held on September 23, 2016.

### **Finances and Investments**

Council received and approved the financial and investment reports from the Finance and Audit Committee for the second quarter ending June 30, 2016.

### **Balanced Scorecard Report and Dashboard**

Council received and approved the CMRTO Balanced Scorecard Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2016. Council received and approved the CMRTO Dashboard Q2, June 30, 2016, which sets out certain regulatory and strategic performance measures, and directed staff to post the dashboard on the CMRTO website.

### **Update on CMRTO Strategic Plan 2014-2016 and CMRTO 2016 Operational Plan**

Registrar & CEO Linda Gough, presented an update on CMRTO's goals set out in the Strategic Plan and Operational Plan previously approved by Council. CMRTO is on-track with on-going activities and strategic initiatives for 2016.

It was noted that the Council is currently working on a new strategic plan as the current plan expires on December 31, 2016.

### **Diagnostic Medical Sonographers**

Registrar & CEO Linda Gough has been meeting with key stakeholders to inform them of the work of the Sonography Implementation Group, the recommendations provided to CMRTO Council, and the readiness of CMRTO should the Ministry decide to regulate sonographers with the CMRTO. On July 21, 2016, the Registrar was invited to present to the council of the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council.

## **Transparency Initiative – By-law No. 57**

Council approved for circulation to members and stakeholders for comment proposed By-law No. 57, which amends By-law No. 28 relating to the register and information to be provided by members of CMRTO. The proposed changes were circulated from June 30, 2016 to September 6, 2016 through the consultation section of the CMRTO website.

Director of Professional Conduct, Tina Langlois, presented the summary of all the input received during the consultation period.

Council noted that there were a total of 53 responses received from members and stakeholders. Of these responses:

- 8 supported the proposed amendments
- 1 was opposed to the proposed amendments
- 7 requested clarification or were confused by the proposed amendments
- 11 expressed concern regarding the privacy or safety of members
- 19 expressed concern regarding the posting on the public register of criminal charges related to a member's suitability to practice

Council discussed the proposed by-law and the comments received during the consultation period. Council decided to defer a decision regarding proposed By-law No. 57 and directed staff to obtain additional information for consideration by Council at its next meeting.

## **Sexual Abuse Task Force**

Council received information regarding the Sexual Abuse Task Force (SATF) and reviewed the recommendations from the SATF's report, which were released by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care on September 9, 2016. Council noted that Recommendation 15B states 'Currently unregulated health care providers – for example, sonographers – need to be identified and assigned to an existing college for regulation in the interest of public safety....'

## **Risk Management**

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Registrar & CEO Linda Gough presented a draft risk management framework to Council, for use by the CMRTO Council, Executive Committee and staff.

Council approved Policy 2.14, Risk Management, the Risk Management Framework and tools.

## **Modernizing Ontario's Radiation Protection Legislation**

Council reviewed the report of Health Quality Ontario's (HQO) Expert Panel to Enhance the Safety and Quality of Energy-Appling Medical Devices in Ontario, released July 2016.

On September 22, 2016, Council received a presentation from Lee Fairclough, VP, HQO on the work of the HQO Expert Panel and the recommendations set out in the report.

## **RHPA**

Council reviewed the notice from the MOHLTC regarding certain amendments to the RHPA which came into force on August 1, 2016. CMRTO staff members are reviewing the changes and will report on any required changes to CMRTO process or publications.

## **Policy 1.4, Policy and Program Regarding Workplace Harassment**

Council approved amendments to CMRTO Policy 1.4, Policy and Program regarding workplace harassment. The policy was amended in order to ensure compliance with Bill 132 "An Act to Amend Various Statutes with Respect to Sexual Violence, Sexual Harassment, Domestic Violence and Related Matters."

## **Accreditation**

Council was updated on the Allied Health Program Accreditation Working Group's continued search for an alternative mechanism by which to accredit the education programs, as a result of the announcement by the Canadian Medical Association that it is ending its Conjoint Accreditation Services effective February 2018.

## **CIHI**

Council reviewed a communication, dated July 25, 2016, from the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) informing the CMRTO and other provincial data providers that CIHI will discontinue the collection of record-level data for MRTs.

## **IHF Diagnostic Imaging Taskforce**

On August 9, 2016, CMRTO was invited by the College of Physicians and Surgeons (CPSO) to appoint a CMRTO representative to the CPSO Independent Health Facilities (IHF) Diagnostic Imaging Task Force. Annette Hornby, Director of Quality Assurance, has been appointed to the Task Force.

The role of the Task Force is to assist CPSO in meeting its legislated mandate to carry out quality assessments of licensed IHFs and to update the IHF Clinical Practice Parameters and Facility Standards for Diagnostic Imaging.

### **Next Council Meeting**

The next Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 9, 2016.