

**INQUIRY COMMITTEE
RECORD OF DECISION**

File Reference: DH1802

ELEMENTS OF COMPLAINT

On March 2, 2018, the College received information indicating that the Registrant was practicing dental hygiene without valid registration between March 1, 2018 and March 2, 2018.

The CDHBC Inquiry Committee initiated an investigation under s. 33(4)(a) of the *Health Professions Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 183 (the "Act") to determine whether the Registrant had engaged in the authorized practice of dental hygiene without registration contrary to s. 13 of the Act, ss. 3 and 5(a) of the Dental Hygienists Regulation and s. 47(1) of the College bylaws prior to renewal of his/her registration.

On March 6, 2018, the CDHBC Registrar notified the Registrant of the investigation and invited a response in accordance with s. 33(5) of the Act

The Registrant provided an email response acknowledging his/her failure to renew his/her registration and stated that s/he was not aware that s/he was not allowed to practice on March 1, 2018. The Registrant acknowledged receiving the reminder emails from the College and confirmed that s/he was aware of the renewal deadline but stated s/he was overloaded with responsibilities and obligations which resulted in his/her failure to pay the renewal fees before the deadline. The Registrant subsequently applied for reinstatement.

COMMITTEE DECISION

At the conclusion of the investigation, the Inquiry Committee determined that the evidence established that the Registrant had engaged in unauthorized practice without registration contrary to s. 13 of the Act, ss. 3 and 5(a) of the Dental Hygienists Regulation and ss. 47(1) and 49 of the College bylaws.

In accordance with section 33(6)(c) of the Act, the Inquiry Committee determined that this was an appropriate case to seek a consent order with terms that required the Registrant not to repeat the conduct of engaging in the unauthorized practice of dental hygiene, to thoroughly review the requirements set out in the CDBHC College Bylaws, to successfully complete the JEM within ten days of signing the consent order, to complete the BCDHA Module F1: Ethics and Jurisprudence, at his/her own cost, as part of his/her current QAP Plan, and to ensure that all future communication with the College are conducted in a respectful and professional manner.

RELEVANT PROVISION OF ACT, REGULATION OR BYLAWS

Act, section 13; 33(4); 33(5); 33(6)(c) Bylaws, 47(1); Regulation, 3 and 5(a)

STATUS

Closed.