

## INQUIRY COMMITTEE RECORD OF DECISION

**FILE NAME: DH0970**

### **FACTS**

In 2009, the Registrar of the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia was informed that an individual had been practicing dental hygiene while not a registrant of The College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia.

The individual had been a registrant of the College but had failed to renew registration before March 1, 2008 and did not apply for reinstatement to the register within sixty days following expiry of registration; the registrant was therefore removed from the Register.

The registrant attempted to renew registration for the year beginning March 1, 2009, and at that time discovered the failure to renew during the previous registration year. The College requested that the individual cease practicing dental hygiene immediately. The individual was informed that an application for registration must be submitted to the College and approved before registration would be granted. A registration application was submitted and was granted in accordance with College bylaw 39 in late February 2009.

In response to the investigation, the registrant informed the Inquiry Committee that the 2008/2009 registration renewal information had not been received as the registrant had relocated and not informed the College of the new address; in addition the registrant had also not received notice from the College informing of removal from the register as a result of failure to renew registration. The registrant took full responsibility for practicing while not registered with the College.

### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

As set out in section 36(1)(a) and 36 (1)(d) of the *Health Professions Act*, the registrant was requested to undertake not to repeat the conduct of practicing dental hygiene while not a registrant of the College of Dental Hygienist of British Columbia, to review the Registrant's Handbook, to complete the Regulation Assessment and to ensure the College is informed of current contact information. The registrant complied with the committee's request and the committee resolved to close the case.

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**RELEVANT PROVISION OF ACT, REGULATION, OR BYLAWS:** *Act, section 33(4)(a); 33(5); 32(2); 36(1)(a); 36 (1)(d); and Bylaws, section 47; 49*

**STATUS:** *Closed*

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY:** *Health Professions Act s 33; 36*