

## INQUIRY COMMITTEE RECORD OF DECISION

**FILE NAME: DH1181**

### **FACTS**

An individual who had been a registrant of the College failed to renew registration before March 1, 2011.

College staff learned that the individual had provided dental hygiene services to the public between March 1 and March 21, 2011, while not a registrant of the College. College staff instructed the individual to cease practicing immediately. The former registrant subsequently applied for reinstatement to the register, which was granted by the Board effective March 22, 2011.

Having practiced dental hygiene while not a registrant of the College, the individual had been in contravention of sections 3 and 5(a) of the *Dental Hygienists Regulation* and section 47(1) of the CDHBC bylaws and was therefore investigated by the Inquiry Committee, on its own motion, in accordance with section 33(4)(a) of the *Health Professions Act*.

In response to the investigation, the individual informed the Committee that s/he failed to renew registration on time due to mental and physical stress; supporting documentation was provided which included detail regarding health and personal issues.

### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

The Committee determined that CDHBC bylaw section 47(1) had been violated and, having practiced dental hygiene while not a registrant of the College, the individual has been in contravention of sections 3 and 5(a) of the *Dental Hygienists Regulation*.

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, and to complete the Regulation Assessment. 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); 36(1)(a); 36 (1)(d); and Bylaws, section 47;*

**STATUS:** *Closed*

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