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## Registration Categories Changed

When the CDHBC Bylaw changes are brought into force on March 2nd, the College will automatically assign registrants their new registration category. The registrant portal will be offline for a brief period on March 2nd while this occurs.

Full Practicing	→	<b>Registered Dental Hygienist (C)</b>
Conditional	→	<b>Registered Dental Hygienist</b>
Full (365-Day Rule Exempt)	→	<b>Dental Hygiene Practitioner (C)</b>
Non-Practicing	→	<b>Non-Practicing</b>

## All Practicing registration categories can practice the full scope

Both Registered Dental Hygienists and Dental Hygiene Practitioners can practice the full scope of practice without practice limits such as the 365-day rule or having a dentist on site for LA administration.

## Private dental hygiene practice ownership

Only Dental Hygiene Practitioners can be the primary owner and operator of a private dental hygiene practice. It is important to note that a Registered Dental Hygienist can be employed by a private dental hygiene practice and practice the full scope.

## Grandparented Registration Category

If you will hold Registered Dental Hygienist registration (formerly Full Practicing or Conditional) and you are the primary owner and operator of a private dental hygiene practice, you will continue to be able to maintain your practice as long as you apply for the 'Grandparented' category of registration. A form will be made available shortly to apply.

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## **Ability to administer Local Anaesthesia is a Certification status on your license**

The regulated ability to administer local anaesthesia is now a separate certification which is attached to a dental hygiene license and must be renewed annually during the regular registration renewal period. LA certification is indicated on a dental hygienist's license by the "(C)" listed directly after the class type of registration. For example, "Registered Dental Hygienist (C)".

## **Current CPR certification is now a requirement of registration renewal**

Regulating safe dental hygiene care for the protection of the public includes ensuring registered dental hygienists are prepared to respond in the event of a medical emergency. Under the new bylaws *Section 38.2 (1)(f)* and *Section 44. (2)(d)*, current CPR certification is a requirement of both initial registration and registration renewal/reinstatement.

## **Registrants may now reinstate their registration beyond the 60-day reinstatement period**

Under the new bylaws, former registrants who do not reinstate within the 60-day time period following renewal will be permitted to submit a reinstatement application with several additional requirements after the 60-day timeframe. Resubmission of initial registration requirements will not be necessary.