DRAFT FOR CONSULTATION

PART 1 – INTERPRETATION

General definitions

1.01 In these bylaws:

"accreditation committee" means the committee established under section 3.02(1)(e) for the purposes of directing the college's accreditation program in accordance with Part 14;

"accreditation standards" mean the standards set out in Schedule "X" respecting

(a) accreditation of a facilities under section X,

(b) ownership of accredited facilities, and

(c) administration and operation of accredited facilities;

"accredited facility" means a facility, or portion of a facility, accredited in accordance with Part 14;

"Act" means the *Health Professions and Occupations Act*, SBC 2022, c. 43;

"board" means the board of the college appointed by the minister under section 346 of the Act;

"board chair" means the board member selected as the board chair under section 2.01;

"board vice chair" means the board member selected as the board vice chair under section 2.01

"capacity officer" means a person retained or employed by the registrar under section 363 of the Act to exercise the powers and perform the duties of a capacity officer;

"certified specialist" means

(a) a full dentist licensee who is granted certification as a certified specialist in a recognized specialty under section 7.03, or

(b) a limited (restricted-to-specialty) dentist licensee;

"college" means the "British Columbia College of Oral Health Professionals" continued as a regulatory college under section 342(2) of the Act;

"committee" means, unless specified, any one of the licence committee, permit committee, investigation committee, finance and audit committee or accreditation committee established under section 3.01(1);

"dental hygiene" has the same meaning as in section 1 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*;

"dental hygienist" means a person who holds a licence in the class of licence established in section 6.02(a) or a temporary or provisional licensee in the designated health profession of dental hygiene;

"dental technician" means a person who holds a licence in the class of licence established in section 6.02(f) or a temporary licensee or provisional licensee in the designated health profession of dental technology;

"dental technology" has the same meaning as in section 1 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*;

"dental therapist services" means any of the health services of dentistry specified in Schedule "X";

"dentist" means a person who holds a licence in one of the classes of licence established in section 6.02(b) to (e) or a temporary licensee or provisional licence in the designated health profession of dentistry;

"dentistry" has the same meaning as in section 1 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*;

"denturism" has the same meaning as in section 1 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*;

"denturist" means a person who holds a licence in one of the classes of licence established in section 6.02(g) and (h) or a temporary licensee or provisional licensee in the designated health profession of denturism;

"designated health profession" means any of the following health professions designated under Part 2 of the Act and section 2 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*:

(a) dental hygiene;

(b) dentistry;

(c) dental technology;

(d) denturism;

"**employee**" includes

(a) an employee, agent or volunteer of the college,

(b) a person acting under contract to the college, and

(c) a committee member, but

does not include the registrar;

"ethics standards" means the standards set out in Schedule "X" respecting the practice of a designated health profession in a manner that is ethical;

"facility" means a health care facility at a single physical location in which the designated health profession of dentistry is practiced;

"FIPPA" means the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, RSBC 1996, c. 165;

"former college" means any of the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia, College of Dental Surgeons of British Columbia, College of Dental Technicians of British Columbia or College of Denturists of British Columbia;

“guiding principles of the Act” means the guiding principles and objectives set out in sections 14 and 15 of the Act;

“health profession corporation" means a corporation that holds a health profession corporation permit issued by the college in accordance with Part 3 of the Act and Part 9 of these bylaws;

“investigation committee” means the committee established under section 3.02(1)(c) for the purposes of directing the college's investigation program in accordance with Parts 3 and 5 of the Act and Part 12 of these bylaws;

“licence” means a licence issued or renewed by the registrar in accordance with Divisions 2 and 3, as applicable, of Part 3 of the Act and Part 6 of these bylaws;

“licence committee” means the committee established under section 3.02(1)(a) for the purposes of

(a) directing the college's licence program in accordance with Part 3 of the Act, Part 6 of these bylaws and section 3.10(3), and

(b) directing the college’s certification program in accordance with Part 7 of these bylaws;

“licensee” means a person who holds a licence issued or renewed by the college in accordance with Divisions 2 and 3 of Part 3 of the Act and Part 6 of these bylaws;

“permit committee” means the committee established under section 3.02(1)(b) for the purposes of directing the college's health profession corporation permit program in accordance with Part 3 of the Act, Part 9 of these bylaws and section 3.11(3);

“*Oral Health Professionals Regulation*” means the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*, B.C. Reg. [cite]

"practice standards" means the standards set out in Schedule “X” respecting the practice of a designated health profession;

“recognized dental hygiene education program” means

(a) an education program listed in Schedule “X” that is recognized by the board for the purpose of licensing dental hygienists, or

(b) a dental hygiene education program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada or by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, that is considered by the registration committee to be equivalent to a degree referred to in paragraph (a);

“recognized dental technician education program” means an education program listed in Schedule “X” that is recognized by the board for the purpose of licensing dental technician licensees;

“recognized dental therapy education program” means an education program listed in Schedule “X” that is recognized by the board for the purpose of licensing dental therapist licensees;

"recognized denturist education program" means an education program listed in Schedule "X" that is recognized by the board for the purpose of licensing full denturist licensees;

"recognized education program" means one of a recognized dental hygiene education program, recognized dental technician education program, recognized dental therapy education program, recognized denturist education program, recognized general dentistry education program, or recognized specialty education program;

"recognized general dentistry education program" means an education program listed in Schedule "X" that is recognized by the board for the purpose of licensing full dentist licensees;

"recognized local anesthesia certification program" means a local anesthesia course or program listed in Schedule "X" that is recognized by the board for the purpose of certifying dental hygienist licensees under section 24 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation* and section 7.02;

"recognized specialty" means a dental specialty recognized by the Board under section 7.03(1);

"recognized specialty education program" means an education program listed in Schedule "X" that is recognized by the board for the purpose of

(a) licensing limited (restricted-to-specialty) dentist licensees, and

(b) certifying full dentist registrants as certified specialists;

"record" has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 of FIPPA;

"registrar" means the registrar for the college appointed under section 359(1)(a) of the Act;

"registry" means the registry of the college continued and managed by the registrar under section 395 of the Act.

"regulations" means the regulations under the Act;

"restricted activity" means

(a) in relation to the designated health profession of dental hygiene, the restricted activities described in Division 2 of Part 3 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*,

(b) in relation to the designated health profession of dentistry, the restricted activities described in Divisions 2 and 3 of Part 2 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*,

(c) in relation to the designated health profession of dental technology, the restricted activities described in Division 2 of Part 4 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*,

(d) in relation to the designated health profession of denturism, the restricted activities described in Division 2 of Part 5 of the *Oral Health Professionals Regulation*.