

ACDH Council met in person on February 21 & 22, 2025, for a business meeting. The following are highlights of key discussions and decisions from the meeting:

Council Discussions:

- Council welcomed Heba Omari (MPH Student, University of Alberta) to discuss the project that she is working on with the College, including updating the inspections checklist, doing a preliminary costs analysis on inspections, and looking into technology options for future inspections and assessments of member competencies.
- Council welcomed the team from the Queer & Trans Health Collective who presented on the Affirming Care Alberta Project and spoke about barriers to healthcare and oral health specific concerns.
- Council welcomed Bradley Chisholm (Principal, The Regulators Practice) to discuss governance best practices and key responsibilities. The presentation emphasized the importance of inclusive governance structures, accountability, and adherence to best practices.
- Council welcomed Duane Robertson (Senior Portfolio Manager & Investment Advisor, RBC Dominion Securities) to review the ACDH's investment portfolio with Council.
- Council welcomed Maxine Clarke (Design Consulting) who led them through a facilitated discussion on the upcoming registrant engagement sessions specifically addressing potential opportunities and risks for the sessions.
- Council had fulsome discussion on strategic topics including substantial equivalency, the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada, new dental hygiene program approvals, and the trend of increasing complaints.

Council Decisions:

- Council discussed and approved various financial matters for the College, including the Quarter 3 financial statements, the 2025-2026 operational budget, transfers from unrestricted to restricted funds, the 2025-2026 Fee Schedule, the program approval fees, CP-2 Finance policy, and GP-6 Council Compensation policy.
- Council approved a revision to CP-4 Registration & Renewal Process Policy to close incomplete registration applications after 6 months of non-activity.

Council Appointments:

- Council approved Tyla Gill to the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee and Abdul Satar to the Governance Committee.
- Council appointed the following RDHs to the Hearing Tribunal and Complaints Review Committee: Emily Paxman, Julie Wu, Meghan Smith and Kristin Santrau.