

College of Physical Therapists of British Columbia Public Notice under s. 39.3 of the Health Professions Act

Sanjay Amrutkar, RPT

Location:

Chilliwack, BC

Date of Action:

October 8, 2019

Nature of Action: Mr. Amrutkar voluntarily entered into a consent agreement with the Inquiry Committee of the College agreeing that he will not provide physical therapy to female patients, whether for a fee or otherwise, except in the presence of a chaperone of the patient's choosing as of October 8, 2019. This action is temporary and does not indicate any wrongdoing.

Reasons: A patient of Mr. Amrutkar made a complaint to the College alleging that during her treatment, it appeared that Mr. Amrutkar engaged in touching which appeared to be non-therapeutic in nature. The Inquiry Committee is currently investigating the matter.

In view of the serious nature of the allegations, which if proven, would present a significant risk to public safety, the Inquiry Committee decided to conduct a hearing, under section 35(1) of the Health Professions Act, to determine whether any action may be necessary to protect the public during the investigation.

To obviate the need for a hearing, Mr. Amrutkar voluntarily entered into a consent agreement (as described above) which is in effect while the Inquiry Committee conducts its investigation. The Inquiry Committee is satisfied that this action is sufficient to protect the public.

Important Note: The consent agreement relates to matters, which are and remain unproven unless admitted by Mr. Amrutkar or determined by the Discipline Committee.