

Public Notice

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Location: Duncan, BC

Date of Action: August 5, 2024

Background: The Registrant previously agreed to undertakings under section 36(1)(d) of the Health Professions Act on April 13, 2022 that restricted his practice of psychology from conducting assessments for autism spectrum disorder or intellectual disabilities. In response to a subsequent report from another registrant under s.32.2 of the Health Professions Act, the Registrant agreed to further undertakings under section 36(1)(d) to broaden the restriction on his practice to not conduct any type of psychological assessment. In addition, in the course of investigating this complaint, the Inquiry Committee also had concerns about the Registrant's record keeping, and he agreed to review this issue with a senior colleague, selected and appointed by the College.

Reasons for the Action: The College received a report under s.32.2 of the Health Professions Act from another registrant raising concerns about the Registrant's assessment of children for learning disabilities. The College investigated these concerns and conducted a broader review of the Registrant's other assessments to determine the extent of the concerns. The underlying issue in the three assessments brought to the College's attention was a scoring error. Although no other assessments showed the same error, the presence of these errors in combination with the previous restriction on the Registrant's practice led to the Committee's decision that it would be appropriate for the Registrant to have a broader restriction on his practice to no longer conduct any type of assessments.