



# Public Notice

**Registrant: A Former Psychologist**

**Location: Vancouver BC**

**Effective Date:** March 28, 2022

**Status:** Not In Effect

## **Nature of Action:**

The Former Registrant voluntarily agreed to undertakings under section 36(1)(d) of the *Health Professions Act* placing his practice under ongoing supervision and imposing additional limits and conditions on his practice.

Those conditions include:

- Requirements to have a chaperone present when seeing female patients in his hospital practice, and to confine his hospital practice to his assessment role;
- Not accepting female patients in his private practice;
- Restrictions on physical contact with clients (other than salutary handshakes); and
- Limitations on the use of text messaging and e-mail to communicate with female clients (other than the use of e-mail for scheduling or other administrative communications).

## **Reasons for the Action:**

The College received a complaint from a patient who saw the Former Registrant for an outpatient assessment through a hospital setting, alleging that the Former Registrant crossed professional boundaries. Although the Inquiry Committee was unable to make a conclusive determination of the Complainant's allegations, the Former Registrant voluntarily agreed to limits and conditions on his practice to address the Complainant's reported experience of their interactions.