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Sandy Jespersen, Executive Director Canadian Athletic Therapists Association

Dear Sandy,

Thank you for you correspondence dated December 20, 2019, requesting a copy of the proposed regulations the College drafted to allow the inclusion of athletic therapists into the College.

I am concerned with the information you are receiving about the College's progress in considering OATA's request for a specialty or class of registration for athletic therapists. I trust that this letter clarifies the incorrect information you received.

I would like to stress that no regulation was drafted or is in the process of being drafted regarding a specialty or class of registration for athletic therapists.

As you may be aware, in April 2019, the College's Council created the Specialties Committee to review OATA's submission for a specialty or class of registration for athletic therapists. The Committee is composed of elected Council members and public Council members appointed by the Ontario Government. Since April 2019, the Specialties Committee has met twice to review and discuss OATA's submission, in June and August. After its meeting in August, the Committee requested additional information from OATA to support its decision-making. OATA provided that information to the College in September.

In the fall of 2019, the terms of all Councillors appointed by the Ontario Government expired. There was a delay in the appointment or re-appointment of public Council members, which briefly halted the Specialties Committee's work. Now that the Committee is fully constituted, it will meet in the coming days to review the information OATA submitted in September 2019.

At your September 5, 2019 meeting with Brenda Kritzer, the College's Registrar and CEO and representatives of OATA, it was noted that if the Specialties Committee were to proceed with authorizing a specialty or class of registration for athletic therapists, a regulation would be drafted and public consultations would be undertaken.

At this stage, the Committee is still considering information so that it can make an informed recommendation to Council.

We are committed to keeping all stakeholders apprised of our progress on this matter and when the time comes, the College will consult with affected stakeholders on the Specialties

Committee's recommendation before making a final decision. I encourage you to review our <u>Council minutes</u> and <u>Council summaries</u> for information about Council's discussions on OATA's submission.

I hope that this clarifies where we are in this process. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (416) 961-7000 ext. 102.

Sincerely,

Nancy Leris,

Acting Registrar and CEO

College of Kinesiologists of Ontario

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