

# REGULATORY COLLEGE AND WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

College of Diagnostic and Therapeutic Health Professionals of BC [CDTHPBC]

*This presentation will give an overview of the new College and will explain the impact on Med Lab Technologists around BC including : General MLTs , Clinical Genetics , Diagnostic Cytology and CLXTs. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers.*

Following public consultation on draft regulations, a new college of diagnostic and therapeutic health professions is established and will become fully functional in the next 12-18 months.

The four occupations that will initially form the college have been formally designated as self-regulating with the approval of amendments to the Health Professions Designation Regulation. The new college will initially include: respiratory therapists, radiation therapists, clinical perfusionists and medical laboratory technologists.

Next steps include the appointment of the first college board, which will be responsible for drafting the initial college bylaws and hiring a registrar. College specific regulations will be drafted that set out the general scope of practice, the protected titles of the professions and any restricted activities they can perform. Once these steps have been completed, the college will register individuals who are currently practicing in the province.

Once the new college has been substantially implemented, the ministry will continue its work on regulatory options for a number of other diagnostic and therapeutic health care occupations, including nuclear medicine technologists, medical radiography technologists, magnetic resonance imaging technologists, medical laboratory assistants, cardiology technologists, diagnostic medical sonographers and medical physicists.