

DECISION 3

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ALLEGATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

- Recommended and/or provided unnecessary dental services (para. 6).
- Contravened a standard or practice or failed to maintain the standards of practice of the profession (para. 1).
- Failed to keep records as required by the Regulations (para. 25).

BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

- Treatment was planned and/or performed where no visible caries were observed and no treatment was indicated for 13 patients, some of whom were minors.
- Failed to keep accurate records including records of radiographic interpretations and the reasons for the treatment planned and/or rendered concerning the restoration of teeth in respect of same 13 patients.
- While it was his position that acts were not done with intent or malice, member accepted professional responsibility for improper diagnosis and treatment planning and unnecessary treatment that followed.

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1. Finding

The member pleaded guilty and was found guilty of professional misconduct with respect to the above allegations.

2. Penalty

- The member was reprimanded.
- The member's certificate of registration will be suspended for three consecutive months.
- The member must complete a course in restorative dentistry, specifically in diagnosis and treatment planning.
- The member must complete a course in recordkeeping.
- The member's practice will be monitored for 24 months following completion of the courses.

3. Costs/Publication

- The member will pay costs to the College in the amount of \$2,500.
- The member will pay monitoring costs of \$600 per visit.
- Pursuant to the legislation, publication of this matter includes the member's name and address.

4. Panel's Reasoning

- Penalty reached as a result of a pre-hearing conference.
- Panel took note of seriousness of infractions and risk of public harm.
- First appearance before the Discipline Committee
- Prior to the hearing member completed educational courses to upgrade skills.
- Member co-operated fully with investigation, accepted responsibility for his actions and expressed remorse.