

Unlicensed practice

In 2020/21, the College successfully petitioned the Court for a finding of contempt against the following unlicensed practitioner:

Ms. Maria Ezzati

Ms. Ezzati is not a registered or licensed health professional and was in violation of an injunction prohibiting her from providing any service that may only be provided by a registrant of the College. She admitted in August 2020 of being in contempt of court by injecting people with botulinum toxin (Botox) and dermal fillers.

Ms. Ezzati was sentenced in January 2021 to six months in prison, and ordered to pay the College's special costs and a \$15,000 fine. A portion of the fine will be paid to the College to reimburse people who received an injection from Ms. Ezzati. She was also ordered to pay an outstanding fine of \$5,000 and 50% of the College's special costs related to her original contempt case dating back to February 2020. Ms. Ezzati filed a notice to appeal the court's decision in February 2021.