

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Dr. Wicks, Gregory John

November 22, 2024

Vancouver, BC

1. **Nature of action:** The Inquiry Committee of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC ("CPSBC") conducted an investigation into the conduct of Dr. Gregory John Wicks under section 33(1) of the *Health Professions Act*, RSBC 1996, c.183.
2. **Effective date:** November 22, 2024
3. **Name of registrant:** Dr. Gregory John Wicks
4. **Location of practice:** Vancouver, BC
5. **Admission and acknowledgements:** Dr. Wicks has admitted and/or acknowledged the following:
 - a. That he continued to practise medicine for a period of time while his CPSBC registration status was "temporarily inactive" and he was not licensed to do so.
 - b. That he continued to invoice and accept payment from other physicians for the services he provided through his business, "APRS," while his licence to practise medicine was not active for a period of time.
6. **Disposition:** Following the authorization of a disciplinary citation, Dr. Wicks entered into a Consent Agreement with the Inquiry Committee, wherein he consented to the following terms, pursuant to section 39(2) of the *Health Professions Act*:
 - a. To remain on the Conditional - Disciplined class of registration;
 - b. To a formal reprimand;
 - c. To a suspension from practising medicine for a period of one day commencing at 12:01 a.m. on November 22, 2024 and ending at 12:01 a.m. on November 23, 2024;
 - d. To complete a multi-disciplinary assessment program chosen and approved by CPSBC;
 - e. To practise in a location and setting approved by CPSBC, where at least one other physician has an established practice, and not change his practice setting or location without the prior written approval of CPSBC;

- f. To respond substantively to all future CPSBC correspondence requesting a response within four weeks of receipt of the request, unless another timeline is agreed to by CPSBC;
 - g. To engage in continuing medical education on subjects directed by CPSBC; and
 - h. To comply with monitoring of his practice by CPSBC.
7. **Rationale:** The Inquiry Committee was critical of the registrant's admitted conduct and concluded that a physician practising without an active licence presents a significant risk to public safety, and that Dr. Wicks did so knowingly. The Inquiry Committee agreed that the importance of appropriate licensure of individuals practising medicine in British Columbia is foundational to the College's mandate to protect the public, and determined that a disciplinary outcome was appropriate.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia is the licensing and regulatory body for all physicians and surgeons in the province. Governed by provincial legislation, the College's role is to protect the public by establishing, monitoring and enforcing high standards of qualification and ethical practice.

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