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[Appointment of new deputy registrar, health monitoring department and drug programs \[1\]](#)

The College is pleased to announce the appointment of David Unger, MD, MSc, CCFP, FCFP to the position of deputy registrar, providing strategic leadership to the health monitoring department and drug programs.

Dr. David Unger most recently held the position of director of ethics services at Providence Health Care (PHC) where he was involved in clinical ethics consultation, system-level ethical decision-making, policy development and education. While serving in this capacity, Dr. Unger also maintained his clinical practice, which spanned the acute care spectrum, including ER, family practice, HIV/AIDS, sports medicine, addiction and substance use, maternity care and end-of-life care.

As an ethicist, and in addition to his position at PHC, Dr. Unger previously worked for PHC's Research Institute Research Ethics Board, the BC Centre for Disease Control, and BC Transplant.

Dr. Unger obtained his medical degree from the University of Saskatchewan in 1992. He holds certification in family medicine from the College of Family Physicians of Canada, and in 2010, he obtained a master of science (bioethics) from the Albany Medical School in New York.

Dr. Unger replaces Dr. Ailve McNestry who officially retired on November 30 after six years of service as deputy registrar. College staff and board members thank Dr. McNestry and wish her well in her retirement.

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