

BRIEFING NOTE

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Fazal Khan, Registrar

DATE: December 4-5, 2023

SUBJECT: BC Regulatory Reform Update

☐ For Decision

☒ For Information

☐ Monitoring Report

Purpose:

This presentation will provide an update to ongoing governance changes occurring in British Columbia with respect to the provincial government's move towards amalgamating several of its health regulators.

Background:

Several provinces have been considering updating their regulatory framework to better delivery health care oversight and bolster public confidence in health regulators. In line with other jurisdictions such as the UK and Australia, British Columbia has been considering streamlining the number of oversight regulatory boards.

For Consideration:

Lisa Bannerman, Registrar of the College of Opticians of British Columbia, will be providing an update on the status of reform including the government's announcement to implement the new amalgamated regulatory model in the Spring of 2024.

Public Interest Considerations:

The provincial governments are looking to reform regulatory oversight models to enhance public confidence.

Recommendations/Action Required:

No action is required as this is for informational purposes only.