

**DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE OF  
THE COLLEGE OF PHYSIOTHERAPISTS OF ONTARIO**

B E T W E E N :

COLLEGE OF PHYSIOTHERAPISTS OF ONTARIO

- and -

PATRICIA VOGEL, Registration Number 13677

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

The Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario has referred specified allegations against Patricia Vogel to the Discipline Committee of the College. The allegations were referred in accordance with paragraph 26(1)1 of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*. The statement of allegations is attached to this notice of hearing. A discipline panel will hold a hearing under the authority of sections 38 to 56 of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, as amended, for the purposes of deciding whether the allegations are true. A **pre-hearing conference** may be held at the offices of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario at 375 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, at a date and time to be fixed by the Registrar. A discipline panel will subsequently convene at the offices of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario at 375 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, for the purposes of conducting the hearing.

**IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND AT THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, THE DISCIPLINE PANEL MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE**

## **PROCEEDINGS.**

If the discipline panel finds that you have engaged in professional misconduct, it may make one or more of the following orders:

1. Direct the Registrar to revoke the member's certificate of registration.
2. Direct the Registrar to suspend the member's certificate of registration for a specified period of time.
3. Direct the Registrar to impose specified terms, conditions and limitations on the member's certificate of registration for a specified or indefinite period of time.
4. Require the member to appear before the panel to be reprimanded.
5. Require the member to pay a fine of not more than \$35,000 to the Minister of Finance.

The discipline panel may, in an appropriate case, make an order requiring you to pay all or part of the College's costs and expenses pursuant to section 53.1 of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*.

You are entitled to disclosure of the evidence against you in accordance with section 42(1) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, as amended. You, or your representative, may contact the solicitor for the College, Joanna Birenbaum, in this matter at:

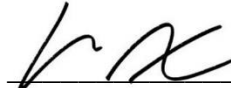
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You must also make disclosure in accordance with section 42.1 of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, which states as follows:

Evidence of an expert led by a person other than the College is not admissible unless the person gives the College, at least ten days before the hearing, the identity of the expert and a copy of the expert's written report or, if there is no written report, a written summary of the evidence.

Date: December 17, 2024



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Craig Roxborough, Registrar & CEO  
College of Physiotherapists of Ontario

TO: Patricia Vogel

### **Statement of Allegations**

1. At all material times Patricia Vogel was a registered physiotherapist with the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario, practicing in Parry Sound, Ontario.
2. In the period January 1, 2019 to December 17, 2024, the Registrant engaged in professional misconduct within the meaning of the following paragraphs of section 1 of the *Professional Misconduct Regulation, O. Reg 388/08*:
  - a. paragraph 1 (failing to maintain the standards of practice of the profession);
  - b. paragraph 4 (practising the profession while the member's certificate of registration has been suspended.)
  - c. paragraph 12 (failing to comply with an order of a statutory committee of the College when the order is issued in accordance with the committee's authority under the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*
  - d. paragraph 13 (failing to reply appropriately or within a reasonable time to a written inquiry from the College).
  - e. paragraph 14 (contravening, by act or omission, the Act, the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* or the regulations under either of those Acts).
  - f. paragraph 18 (engaging in conduct or performing an act relevant to the practice of the profession that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional).
  - g. paragraph 28 (signing or issuing a document containing a statement that the member knows or ought to know contains a false or misleading statement).

### **PARTICULARS OF THE ALLEGATIONS**

1. At all material times Patricia Vogel (the “Registrant”) was a physiotherapist registered with the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario, and practicing physiotherapy in Parry Sound, Ontario.
2. Commencing January 1, 2019, the Registrant practiced physiotherapy when the Registrant did not hold professional liability insurance.
3. At all material times, section 17 of O. Reg 532/98 under the *Physiotherapy Act 1991* provided that it is a non-exemptible registration requirement for all certificates of registration that the applicant demonstrates that he or she holds professional liability insurance in accordance with the College by-laws.
4. In the period January 1, 2019 to September 30, 2021, the Registrant falsely represented to the College that the Registrant held professional liability insurance.
5. Effective January 12, 2022, by order of the College’s Discipline Committee (the “Order”), the Registrant’s certificate of registration with the College was suspended until such time as the Registrant completed educational and remedial requirements as set out in the Order. The Order also provided that during the period that the Registrant’s certificate of registration is suspended, the Registrant shall not use the title Physiotherapist, PT or any abbreviation thereof, nor their name, PT title or registration number for billing purposes.
6. In the period January 12, 2022 to April 30, 2022, the Registrant practiced physiotherapy in violation of the Order, including assessment and treatment of patients. In addition invoices were issued to patients with the Registrant’s name as the service provider and indicating that the Registrant, or service billed, was “PT” or “physiotherapy.”
7. In the period of January 12, 2022 to December 17, 2024, the Registrant used the title “physiotherapist” and advertised themselves as a “registered physiotherapist,” including on the internet, in violation of the Order.
8. The Registrant failed to acknowledge or respond to the College’s investigation into these discipline allegations.

## **APPENDIX**

1. Take notice that the documents that have been and will later be disclosed to you will be tendered as business documents pursuant to the *Evidence Act* of Ontario.
2. All documents that are disclosed to you in this matter are disclosed on the basis that they are to be used solely for the purpose of this proceeding and for no other purpose.