

## CCO'S LEGISLATION AND ETHICS EXAMINATION



### Policy P-045

#### Executive Committee

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*Note to readers: In the event of any inconsistency between this document and the legislation that affects chiropractic practice, the legislation governs.*

### INTENT

- To clarify CCO's policies and procedures concerning administration of CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination.
- To determine the requirements for retaking CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination.

### DESCRIPTION OF POLICY

Under Ontario Regulation R-137/11, it is a condition of initial registration with CCO for applicants to have successfully completed CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination.

Additionally, a member may be required to successfully complete CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination for other purposes, including but not limited to, complying with a decision of the Discipline Committee, or complying with a term, condition, limitation or undertaking on a member's condition of registration for re-entering the General class of certificate of registration in Ontario. The purpose of this examination is to test the applicant's or member's knowledge of the legal, professional and ethical responsibilities and obligations governing the practice of chiropractic in Ontario.

CCO administers the Legislation and Ethics examination three times per year. CCO presents the Record Keeping Workshop on the same date as the Legislation and Ethics Examination.

CCO will provide candidates with study material upon receipt of the examination application fee.

If a candidate is unsuccessful in passing CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination, they will be given an opportunity to write a supplemental examination at the next available sitting or, at the discretion of the Registration Committee, at an earlier date.

A candidate who is successful on CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination but unsuccessful on the clinical competency examinations conducted by the Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board (CCEB), or an examination accepted by CCO Council as equivalent, shall not be required to retake the Legislation and Ethics examination provided the candidate is successful on the clinical competency examinations within two years of successfully completing CCO's Legislation and

Ethics examination. If a candidate is unsuccessful on the CCEB clinical competency examinations within two years of successfully completing CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination, the candidate shall retake CCO's Legislation and Ethics examination.

CCO is committed to accommodating candidates with physical and/or learning disabilities in completing its Legislation and Ethics examination.

Under the *Ontario Human Rights Code, 1990* and the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, disability means:

1. Any degree of physical disability, infirmity, malformation or disfigurement that is caused by bodily injury, birth defect or illness and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, includes diabetes mellitus, epilepsy, a brain injury, any degree of paralysis, amputation, lack of physical co-ordination, blindness or visual impediment, deafness or hearing impediment, muteness or speech impediment, or physical reliance on a guide dog or other animal or on a wheelchair or other remedial appliance or device,
2. A condition of mental impairment or a developmental disability,
3. A learning disability, or a dysfunction in one or more of the processes involved in understanding or using symbols or spoken language,
4. A mental disorder, or
5. An injury or disability for which benefits were claimed or received under the insurance plan established under the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997*.

The definition includes disabilities of different severity, visible as well as non-visible disabilities, and disabilities the effects of which may come and go.

A candidate who is otherwise eligible to write the Legislation and Ethics examination may file a written request to the Registrar, along with proof of the disability, for reasonable, alternative testing accommodations if the candidate is unable to write the examination under standard circumstances. CCO will make reasonable efforts to accommodate individuals with disabilities in accordance with the *Ontario Human Rights Code, 1990* and the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*.