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Upcoming Dates:

August

3 - Office Closure, Holiday

September

7 - Office Closure, Labour Day

30 - Office Closure, National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Message from the Registrar

Welcome to the summer edition of our newsletter!

The first quarter of our fiscal year has been busy with preparations for our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and the publication of our Annual Report, which I encourage you to check out here.

When we work on the Annual Report and AGM, we reflect on the achievements and challenges of the previous cycle. This year, I am particularly proud of our team's progress on our strategic plan goals for increasing engagement. When we hear from you, the registrants, it helps us identify areas where we can support you better with clearer policies, practice directions, standards, and programs.

This year's AGM also introduced the opportunity to include a guest speaker. I hope those of you in attendance found the topic of regulation and social media timely and informative.

I hope you all have a happy, safe summer and the opportunity to enjoy some much-deserved downtime.

Sincerely,

Corene Debreuil

Executive Director / Registrar

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Updated EMR education standard and quality assurance guide was approved by Council on May 27th, 2026.
- 2026 / 2027 PCC is **now live.** You can view and complete it here.
- **Reminder:** Keep your registry portal up to date when things change in your life, such as employer, name, or contact information.

STANDARDS & UPDATES

EMR STANDARDS

The College approved a modernized framework for EMR education to better align with current professional standards and employer expectations, while supporting consistent oversight and safe entry to practice. The updated framework focuses on competence rather than prescribed training hours, gives educators greater flexibility in program delivery, introduces ongoing quality assurance measures, and removes overly prescriptive requirements.

> **Modernizing EMR education strengthens** consistency, accountability, and readiness for the future of paramedicine.

What This Means for You:

- More **consistent, job-ready graduates**
- Programs can use **modern methods to adapt to context**
- Ongoing oversight for educators helps ensure **quality and safety over time**

GOVERNANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Last Council Meeting: May 27, 2026

- **Council approved** the new EMR education standard and quality process
- **Council approved** the 2026 / 2027 Interim Program of Continuing Competency
- Jean Cox, Public member and Treasurer of Council, **completed her term.** We wish Jean a farewell and our gratitude for her wisdom and guidance from the start. Jean has been a part of Council since 2018
- **Kyle Schmidt has been selected** as the new Treasurer and chair of the Finance, Audit, and Risk Committee
- We welcome **new public members,** Abena Buhane and Michael Wenesz to council
- Three policies were updated related to: Conflict of Interest, Council Executive Selection, and Expense Reimbursement. All policies can be viewed **here.**

ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Over the past quarter, Tim Partridge engaged in several activities to support the development of the PCC and to explore emerging education and workforce initiatives.

In May, Tim attended the University of Manitoba's Simulation Retreat, which provided valuable insight into current simulation capabilities and their potential application within continuing education. He also met with WEMS at the WFPS Academy to learn about their newly implemented mentorship program and explore employer-based learning opportunities.

In addition, Tim met with Platoon Warrant Darin Thomson to discuss the utility of the newly approved Canadian Armed Forces medic registration pathway. During that trip, Tim also stopped in Dauphin to connect with the leadership at Assiniboine College to better understand the anticipated impact of their newly approved PCP program on regional training capacity and workforce development.

REGISTRANT SPOTLIGHT

Highlighting excellence in paramedicine across Manitoba

Donovan Fehr, CCP

DONOVAN FEHR

With nearly 15 years of experience in paramedicine, Donovan has served in a variety of roles throughout his career, including Rural EMS, STARS, and most recently as a Clinical Instructor. Known for his professionalism, passion for emergency medicine, and depth of knowledge, Donovan has earned the respect of colleagues and learners alike.

Since stepping into his educational role, Donovan has demonstrated a natural ability to mentor and support both new and experienced paramedics as they navigate the evolving landscape of the profession. His commitment to excellence extends beyond patient care; he is equally dedicated to helping others grow and succeed in their careers.

> **A respected clinician, educator, and mentor,** Donovan leads by example and inspires excellence in others.

Donovans pride in the profession and genuine desire to support both patients and fellow paramedics make him a valued leader, educator, and role model within Manitoba's paramedic community.

WANT TO NOMINATE SOMEONE?

We're now inviting nominations for upcoming Registrant Spotlights. Submissions should include:

- A photo of the registrant being nominated
- A short 100 - 200 word write up outlining why the individual is being nominated

Please send submissions to communications@collegeparamb.ca with the subject line "**Registrant Spotlight Nomination**"

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Why is there an Interim PCC this year?

A. The College is currently working on updates to the system that will support and improve the future of PCC. Since this transition is taking place during the 2026 - 2027 PCC cycle, a temporary Interim PCC has been introduced to ensure requirements are being met.

Q. Is the Interim PCC still mandatory?

A. Yes, the Interim PCC is a required component of maintaining registration with the College. Registrants must complete the Interim PCC in accordance with College requirements before renewing their registration.

Q. How is the Interim PCC different from previous years?

A. The Interim PCC has been streamlined for the 2026 - 2027 cycle. While it continues to focus on reflective practice, learning goals, and professional growth, the process has been simplified to make it easier to complete. You can complete the PCC **here.** A video tutorial, supporting resources, and an updated Handbook are available on our website to guide you through the process.

Additionally, the PCC form will save your progress so you can come back at a later date (as long as you use the same browser!).