



# CDHM NEWS SHORT



## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- **CDHA National Conference Abstract Submission Deadline:** Sun April 14, 2024
- **What Does Council Do?** Mon April 15, 2024 7:30pm - (1 CC hour) *Watch for further details.*
- **MDA Convention:** April 18 - 20, 2024
- **CCP Submission Deadline:** Sun April 30, 2024
- **Next Council Meeting:** May 23 and 24 2024
- **Canadian Academy of Periodontology (CAP) Annual Meeting:** June 7-9, 2024  
Winnipeg. Registration is OPEN! Early Bird deadline April 08, 2024
- **CDHM Virtual AGM:** October 24 2024 7:30pm, RSVP Opens August 30th 2024



## GREETINGS FROM COUNCIL

Spring is a time for renewal and our biggest news is that we have ‘renewed’ our Land Acknowledgement. We will use our new version to open Council meetings, our AGM and any other event as deemed appropriate by CDHM.

Our new Land Acknowledgement reflects a snapshot in time where Council gathered with facilitators Faye Tardiff & LaRaine Seivewright from WRHA to ponder, explore and create. The version chosen by Council was sent to the Treaty Relations Commission for feedback. With their help our Land Acknowledgement was finalized. While the final version is very important, so was the time spent on the journey to get there. We consider this a ‘living’ statement and as such it will be added to our Council Calendar to ensure regular review.

“CDHM is located on the original lands of the Indigenous peoples of Manitoba, which includes the Anishinaabeg, Dakota Oyate, Inninewak, Anishinini, Dene, and Inuit and the homeland of the Red River Metis nation. We acknowledge that Winnipeg receives its drinking water from Shoal Lake 40. We recognize Treaties 1-6 & 10 that created relationships between Treaty partners and that the agreements they made were intended to be mutually beneficial. We are committed to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of truth-telling for the healing and inclusion of all who share the land.”

Linking and connecting with Manitobans to hear about their oral health concerns seems simple, however, it has proven to be challenging. Council continues to make progress in its understanding of what linkage work entails. For the first time, in collaboration with a Governance Coach, Council has framed the beginnings of a multi-year linkage plan. Seniors aging in place in rural communities will continue to be the focus for 2024. As I reflect on how much time Council has put into understanding its role in linkage work, I am reminded of a quote by Steve Jobs.

***“If you look really closely, most overnight successes took a long time”***

**- Steven Jobs, Co-Founder, Apple Inc.**

We are now thinking ahead to those whose terms on Council will be ending, the current needs of Council, and how, through appointments (public reps) and nominations (RDHs), we will fill gaps that will result in a well-rounded Council. Stay tuned for updates on Council vacancies.

Sincerely,

**Kathleen Reid  
Council Chair, CDHM**

# COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**JANUARY 11TH, 2024**  
**5:30PM-8:30PM**

- Chair, Kathleen Reid, reviewed policy GP-2 with Council.
- Faye Tardiff and LaRaine Seivewright from the WRHA, facilitated small and large group discussions around the creation of a Land Acknowledgement. Three drafts were produced for Council's final review.

**JANUARY 12TH, 2024**  
**8:30AM-3:30PM**

- Registrar/ED, Arlynn Brodie, presented an Environmental Scan including news that Nova Scotia will be amalgamating with the denturist and dental technician regulatory colleges.
- Lucie Boutet described the plan for the By-law review/modernization and broke the Council into working pairs.
- Chair, Kathleen Reid, facilitated a group review of policy GP -10 (Council Member's Code of Conduct and Declaration).
- Shannon Montgomery, from Interlake Public Health, presented population health information about the Interlake Eastern RHA.
- Chair Kathleen Reid, provided a verbal Executive report and asked if there were any questions for the Chairs of Council committees.

**MARCH 08TH**  
**5:30PM-8:00PM**

- Council Chair, Kathleen Reid lead Council through a 'Six Thinking Hats' process of thinking exercise.
- Council motioned to approve their new Land Acknowledgement.
- After discussion, Council agreed to increase the value of the CDHM University of Manitoba Leadership Award to \$800.00.
- Registrar/ED, Arlynn Brodie presented an Environmental Scan to Council which provided information on future health and regulatory trends from a provincial and national lens.

**MARCH 9TH**  
**8:30AM-3:30PM**

- Council approved the updated Dental Radiography & CBCT Interpretation Guidelines:
  - [Interpretation Guideline for Cone Beam Computed Tomography \(CBCT\)](#)
  - [Interpretation Guideline for Dental Radiography](#)
- Jannice Moore, Council's governance coach, facilitated a workshop assisting Council with their future Linkage activities.
- Registrar/ED, Arlynn Brodie, reviewed her EL reports and financial statements for the 3rd quarter.
- Co-Vice Chair Saima Klippenstein facilitated a By-law review.
- Co-Vice Chair, Lucie Boutet facilitated small groups to monitor & review selected policies according to the governance monitoring and review schedule.
- Chair, Kathleen Reid, asked if there were any questions arising from her report or any of the committee chair's reports and then conducted a round-table discussion on the meeting process.

## WATCH FOR UPCOMING DETAILS:

**Title:** What Does Council Do?

**Date:** April 15th, 2024 at 7:30pm  
Virtual Zoom Webinar

**Details will be available soon!**  
*(worth 1 CC hour)*

**Arlynn Brodie**  
Registrar/Executive Director



## FROM THE DESK OF THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR

*"In the spring, I have counted 136  
different kinds of weather inside 24  
hours."*

—*Mark Twain*

It seems like Mr. Twain must have been in Manitoba when he wrote this! Weather aside, we welcome the spring and sense of renewal that comes with it. At the CDHM office we are pleased to report that RDHs are also welcoming the new CCP format and are pursuing many opportunities for professional development.

We would like to remind registrants that if you have questions about the new format, we have an updated [CCP Guidebook](#) outlining the expectations and the updated activity categories. If you don't find the answer there, we are happy to answer them via a phone call or email.

Here are a few answers to common CCP queries:

- CDHA courses and webinars can be applied to the CDHM CCP; courses offered by provincial, state, national, and international dental hygiene and dental regulatory authorities, associations, and their component societies can be applied so long as the course content is within CDHM Scope of Practice.

- Many of the 2024 MDA Convention lectures can be applied to the CDHM CCP. See the list [here](#), and note that the lecture titled, "Digital Scanning for the Dental Team", by Dr. Amarjit Rihal, was also recently added.
  - Lectures/Presentations are eligible for 1 CC hour.
  - CPR – BLS cannot be applied to CCP.
  - Manitoba Case Studies - Panel Discussion-eligible for up to 2 CC hours.
- Dental Hygiene Legislated Competencies and Course Objectives are used for determining applicability of course content to RDH scope of practice.
- One professional RDH Annual General Meeting (AGM) can be applied, per CCP year. If the AGM includes a Keynote speaker or educational/presentation component, this can be applied separately.

We appreciate all questions and feedback as we continue to streamline the CCP process.

Sincerely,

**Valarie Olivier**  
Deputy Registrar

# ALL THINGS REGULATORY

*“Good things come to those who wait.”*  
-English Proverb

While this quote may be true, I, like many of you, am wondering exactly how long do we have to wait before we transition to the Regulated Health Professions Act? We are prepared and look forward to the process when it is our turn.

In the meantime, the CDHM continues to work to facilitate safe competent dental hygiene care for all Manitobans, including those who live in First Nation Communities. A letter to the Minister of Health, requesting an amendment to the practice setting restrictions listed in the Dental Hygienists Act, was successful and through collaborative efforts with the Dakota, Ojibway Tribal Council (DOTC) community of Bird Tail Sioux, dental hygiene services are now being offered onsite. We are now awaiting Ministerial response regarding our request for an amendment to settings restrictions, permitting dental hygiene services in the communities of the Southeast Resource Development Council Corporation (SERDC). A Zoom Info Night for RDHs considering working in alternative practice settings will be held soon. Watch your email for more details in the coming weeks.

We are currently working with Doretta Harris, who is the Regional Lead – Indigenous Health Southern Health, to create an Indigenous cultural safety & humility module for the CDHM. This module will be completed in June and required for registrant registration renewal in 2025.

Happy Spring!

**Arlynn Brodie**  
Registrar/Executive Director

# COMING SOON!

**Title:** Info Panel on Providing Oral Care in Alternative settings, including First Nation Communities

**Date:** TBD

**Watch your email for more info!**



# DID YOU KNOW?

The CDHM has a total of 936 Registrants:

- **Practicing:** 818
- **Non-Practicing:** 68
- **Students:** 50



## MDHA: MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Happy first signs of Spring to all!

We have a few exciting events and opportunities for our members on the calendar. First off, we set our sights on National Dental Hygienist Week, April 4-10, 2024. We are encouraging our members to get out into the community to promote the profession and the importance of oral health for overall health and would love to support you with resources. Please contact the MDHA office to make any requests for support.

We are also excited to have a presence at the MDA Conference on April 19th and 20th at the RBC Convention Centre. We will be hosting a RDH Lounge – a place for our members to relax, have a snack, connect with colleagues, and chat with industry representatives. The RDH Lounge will be open to all RDH's attending the conference on both Friday and Saturday.

Lastly, please save the date for our 2024 AGM, scheduled for June 12th at 6:30 pm at the Leaf (Assiniboine Park). More information to come – stay tuned!

Looking forward to more signs of spring coming our way. Until then, be well!

**Lee Hurton**  
Executive Director  
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**Manitoba Dental  
Hygienists Association**

## Oral Care At Bird Tail Sioux First Nation



**Above:** Left to Right- Valerie Olivier, Deputy Registrar, CDHM; Andrea Adamson, RDH; Evelyn Pratt, Health Director Birdtail Sioux Health Centre; Alyson Candline, RDH, Dakota Ojibway Health Services-COHI.

RDH Andrea Adamson and Deputy Registrar Valerie Olivier attended an orientation at the Birdtail Health Center where dental hygiene services will be provided to members of the community. The CDHM is committed to extending access to dental hygiene care to all Manitobans and supporting the call to provide services for First Nation peoples in their communities (UNDRIP Article #23- The Rights of Indigenous Peoples).



**Above:** Preparing for dental hygiene services at the Birdtail Sioux Health Centre.