

JUNE 2019

Council Decides provides an overview of the decisions Council makes. These decisions shape nursing regulation in Ontario, and establish the goals, objectives and policies of the College.

Council met on Thursday, June 6, 2019. These are highlights of its decisions. We are committed to providing information about these decisions as quickly as possible after Council meetings. We will post the full minutes of the meeting by the end of July.

Governance: Vision 2020

We have sent [Council's vision for governance change](#) to the Ontario government and requested they make the legislative amendments needed to implement this new model of governance. We continue to engage with government about the amendments.

Council discussed the recommendations in the report, [An Inquiry into the performance of the College of Dental Surgeons of British Columbia and the Health Professions Act](#), and discussed the similarities between their vision and the recommendations in the report.

Annual Report

Council approved that CNO send the *2018 Annual Report* to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. The report, titled [Partners in Safety](#), is available on [cno.org](#).

The report highlights the ways patients, members of the public, nurses, employers and educators are all our partners in supporting safe nursing practice. The report highlights five key initiatives at CNO. In 2018, we:

- reflected your perspectives in our brand new Code of Conduct for nurses
- supported safe practice for nurses with substance use and/or mental health issues using early treatment
- created an online tool so applicants can register with CNO more efficiently
- ensured all nursing education programs in Ontario meet comprehensive standards
- partnered with stakeholders to better understand and deal with patient safety concerns



CNO is accountable to the public for safe nursing care. For that reason, we wrote the report for the public, making it easy to read and visually impactful. We use the wealth of data and information we collect throughout the year to write the report.

2018 Audited Financial Statements

Council approved CNO's 2018 audited financial statements after CNO's auditors confirmed that the 2018 statements are an accurate reflection of CNO's financial position.

Nursing Education Program Approval

Council approved the Practical Nurse Programs and Baccalaureate Programs. To see a complete list of approved programs, go to <http://www.cno.org/en/become-a-nurse/approved-nursing-programs/>.