



October 30, 2020

TO: ALL ACUPUNCTURISTS REGISTERED UNDER THE HEALTH DISCIPLINES ACT

Renewal of Registration for 2021

- Section 24 (1) of the *Health Disciplines Act* requires that all registered acupuncturists apply each year for renewal of their registration in order to maintain their registered status. Section 5 of the *Acupuncture Regulation* stipulates that January 1st of each year is the date by which acupuncturists must renew their registration.
- Section 4 of the *Acupuncture Regulation* sets the standards for the level of competence practitioners are expected to maintain in order to be eligible for registration renewal. A practitioner is required under the Regulation to have worked as an acupuncturist for 1360 hours and to have completed 50 hours of educational programs in the previous two years. Consideration is also given to whether competency has been maintained across the full range of acupuncture services. Enclosed is a copy of the CEU reporting form for your use.

Applications not meeting the requirements for renewal will be forwarded to Registration Committee for review.

IMPORTANT UPDATES TO THE 2021 REGISTRATION RENEWAL ONLY

Council has approved the following amendments to the 2021 registration renewal period:

1. Registration renewal fee due **BEFORE** January 1, 2021 is \$680.00.
2. Registration renewal fee paid **BETWEEN** January 1, 2021 and February 15, 2021 is \$760.00.
3. Registration renewal fee paid **AFTER** February 15, 2021 is \$760.00 plus \$300.00 applied late fee.
4. Required direct/indirect practice hours for the 2019 and 2020 reporting period has been reduced to 1130 hours.
5. Based on the stamp date on the envelope, applications mailed after February 15, 2021 are subject to a late fee of \$300.00.
6. E-transfers will now be accepted!!! We will update members with more details once available.
7. An online fillable registration renewal and CEU form is available on our website (www.acupuncturealberta.ca) for easy submission. If possible, please return renewal packages via online form, pdf format (email to jenneyw@acupuncturealberta.ca), or postal mail only. (Screenshots or images will not be accepted.)

Insurance

The CAAA is a third-party representative of an insurance program available to members and we are required to submit member information to Vezina Assurances Inc. before a certain date. To ensure members receive their policies in a timely manner and avoid a back log in the office, we would appreciate if renewal packages are sent in before January 1, 2021.

Sincerely,

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President, CAAA

Paul Hu
Registrar, CAAA

Enclosures: 2021 Registration Renewal Form
CEU Reporting Form