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TO: ALL RCDSO MEMBERS

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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT INCORPORATION

- The legislation that would allow regulated professionals to incorporate has not come into force. Although it received Royal Assent on December 21, 2000, the portion that relates to professional corporations must be proclaimed by the Lieutenant-Governor to become law. **This has not yet happened.**
- The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care must also pass regulations that relate to incorporation by health professionals. **This has not yet happened.**
- It is important to note that incorporation can only take place once the Act is proclaimed, the regulations are in place, and the appropriate by-laws are passed by the College.
- However RCDSO can only pass by-laws to allow the administrative processes around registration of professional corporations to take place once the health ministry has passed the necessary regulations.
- For the College Council to pass by-laws, they must first be approved in draft format at a meeting of Council, and then circulated to all members for their review. This is a very lengthy process with timelines set out very clearly in RCDSO by-laws. It is likely that the earliest the proposed by-law changes could go to Council would be in April 2002, and approved by the November 2002 Council meeting.
- The College is being asked to charge an administrative fee for each incorporation as it will mean an additional burden of administrative work to issue its Certificate of Authority. The College will be required to collect and share information, and to establish and maintain a process of issuing, renewing, suspending and revoking the certificates of authorizations for incorporation. Currently the provincial government is charging \$360 for this service for just issuing articles of incorporation.

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