

## **COLLEGE INITIATIVE CHRONOLOGY UPDATE: 2006**

### **January 2006**

Meeting with H. McLaren, Director, and Barbara Millar, Senior Analyst, Legislative Unit, MB Health, to discuss policy draft for new legislation, The Audiologists & Speech Language Pathologists Act.

### **February 2006**

Received correspondence from Tim Sale, Minister of Health, advising the Association that the government has decided to pursue umbrella health professions legislation. Invitation for the Manitoba Speech and Hearing Association to participate in the development of this new legislation.

### **March 2006**

MSHA accepts the invitation to participate in the Health Professionals' Regulatory Reform Initiative (HPRRI).

### **June 2006**

Correspondence sent to H. McLaren requesting information regarding the HPRRI, including an anticipated start date.

### **August 2006**

Correspondence received from A. Wilgosh, Deputy Minister of Health, indicating the first meeting of the HPRRI would be 12 October 2006.

### **October 2006**

Meeting at the Legislature to begin work on the HPRRI.

Phase 1: Complaints/Investigation/Discipline processes.

A moratorium is declared on the development of other new individual health profession statutes or amendments to other existing health professions legislation until the HPRRI is complete.

### **15<sup>th</sup> January 2007**

Second meeting of the Health Professions Regulatory Reform Initiative (HPRRI).

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Given the initiative by Manitoba Health to pursue umbrella legislation for health professions, the direction of the College Initiative of the Manitoba Speech and Hearing Association has taken a distinctly different direction. The following is a schedule of Health Professions Regulatory Reform within the province, as suggested by Manitoba Health:

December 2006 – Receipt of contracted review of legislation from other jurisdictions

Departmental review of previous reports and consultations

Review of provisions to be carried forward in new legislation

June 2007 – White Paper providing Government proposals to address key reform elements

October 2007 – Consultation on White Paper complete

**Fall 2007 – Legal Drafting to commence**

February 2008 – Consultation with stakeholders on draft bill

Spring 2008 – Introduction of Health Professions Bill

Summer 2008 – Development of Repeal and Replacement Plan

Fall 2008 – Staged Proclamation of Health Professions Act to Commence

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