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Professional Enhancement Program (PEP)

The Professional Enhancement Program (PEP) is nearing completion for a start date of Jan 2023. Testing is ongoing now and you can still volunteer to be a tester deputyregistrar@optometrybc.ca. Information is posted on the website now at [The Professional Enhancement Program – College of Optometrists of British Columbia \(optometrybc.com\)](https://www.optometrybc.com).

Issues dealt with by the Registrar:

- Use only your approved name on your signage, door, stationery, website, social media.
- Advertising a specialty or referring to yourself as "best" is not allowed under our bylaws.
- Ensure that you gain the patient's consent when performing a procedure. Consent can be verbal.

Renewal due date

Renewal of your registration is due on or before October 31, 2022. Be sure that you have retained all of your CE certificates for at least 20 hours of COPE or College approved CE. Your OE Tracker account may not be updated by Oct 31 if you have only recently submitted credits since they get very backed up at renewal time. We will audit your CE credits before the end of November. The office will contact you if you are lacking CE hours.



Our Mandate

Our mandate is to serve and protect all British Columbians, ensuring that regulated Optometrists deliver qualified, safe, and ethical care to their patients.

Holiday Closure

The College office will be closed November 11th for Remembrance Day

Board Meeting

December 5, 2022

**Peer Circle will be held Oct 18 after the AGM – starting at 6:30 pm. (Zoom link sent Sept 29).
Sign up for Peer Circle at reception@optometrybc.ca**

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