



The Examiner

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[Home - College of Health and Care Professionals of BC Amalgamation \(c7amalgamation.com\)](#) is where you will find all the information currently available regarding the Amalgamation process. At 12:01 am on June 28, 2024 the new College of Health and Care Professionals will formally become the governing body overseeing Optometrists along with the six other professional colleges being amalgamated. Please watch a short video outlining the process here [College of Optometrists of British Columbia \(optometrybc.com\)](#). In the meantime, the College office continues to regulate this profession and interact with the public.

Professional Enhancement Program (PEP)

All Programs of Quality Assurance will continue in the same fashion under the new College. The Professional Enhancement Program (PEP) is open for all to complete their parts this year. Before October 31, 2024 those in Cohort 1 (916 - who developed their PD Plan last year) will need to complete PD Plan Review. Those who became new Registrants of the College during the 2023 year are Cohort 2 (51) and will need to complete their Self-Assessment by July 31, 2024, and PD Plan by October 31, 2024. You can log on at [CSC Portal](#) and if you have problems please email Viviana at viviana.garcia@optometrybc.ca.

The Annual Report for 2023 is now available on the College website. [Click here](#).



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

The College office will be closed in
May 20, 2024
for Victoria Day

The last Board Meeting of the College is on May 27, 2024.