



## **POLICY**

### **National Operating Policy #22**

Subject: Suspension and Reinstatement of CPHI(C) Credential Approved: February 15, 2019, by the National Executive Council

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### Objective and Rationale

This Suspension and Reinstatement of Certificate Public Health Inspection (Canada) ("CPHI(C)") Credential Policy ("Policy") **only** applies to persons who were granted a CPHI(C) **issued after January 1, 2017**, and who fail to hold a regular membership in the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors ("CIPHI") due to one of the following reasons:

- 1. They have failed to make application for membership on a form and a manner required by CIPHI
- 2. Their membership has been terminated or suspended by CIPHI in accordance with By-Law #1 Sections 4.02 and 4.03 and any written policies of CIPHI.

### **AUTHORITY TO GRANT THE CERTIFICATE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION (CANADA)**

The CPHI(C) is a certificate of qualification and is devised to meet the needs of the profession of public health inspection and employers of public health inspectors.

The CPHI(C) will be granted by CIPHI through the Board of Certification ("BOC"). It will be granted to those persons who comply with the By-Laws of CIPHI, the requirements of the "Regulations Respecting the CPHI(C) and Governing the Board of Certification of Public Health Inspectors" and the applicable National Operating Policies ("NOPs") established by the National Executive Council ("NEC") and the BOC.

## **POWERS TO SUSPEND AND REINSTATE CERTIFICATES**

By-Law #7 Section 2 gives the BOC the right and power to suspend a CPHI(C) issued after January 1<sup>st</sup>. 2017 to those persons who have not met the mandatory membership requirements of CIPHI. Mandatory membership requirements are provided for in Article 13 of the BOC Regulations. Article 13 also gives the BOC the right and power to reinstate a CPHI(C) to those persons the NEC deems have met membership requirements.

### Specific Operations

## **Failed to Make Application for Membership**

- On-going Regular Membership in CIPHI is mandatory commencing the calendar year following the year CPHI(C) was issued (e.g., CPHI(C) issued in April or October 2018 – regular membership commences January 2019)
- 2. The CIPHI Office will crosscheck the membership status of all CPHI(C) holders subject to mandatory membership (anyone issued a CPHI(C) after January 1, 2017) on April 1st of each membership year.
- 3. The CIPHI Office will generate a list of all CPHI(C) holders subject to mandatory membership who neglected to submit an application membership for the year and forward to the BOC and NEC.
- 4. The Chair of the BOC will confirm with the CIPHI Office the CPHI(C) holders whose CPHI(C) should be suspended.
- 5. Upon confirmation from the BOC Chair, the CIPHI Office will generate and courier the CPHI(C) holders affected, a letter notifying them of their CPHI(C) suspension.
- 6. The suspended CPHI(C) holder may appeal the suspension of their CPHI(C) on the basis that that they in fact do hold a valid membership in CIPHI and can produce evidence to support this. The appeal should be sent in writing to the CIPHI Office.
- 7. A CPHI(C) will remain under suspension until such time fulfillment of this membership requirement is met and they have been notified their CPHI(C) has been reinstated.
- 8. When the CIPHI Office updates the public Membership Directory (handled quarterly), the Office will crosscheck and reinstate the CPHI(C) of suspended members that have renewed for the current year since the last directory update.
- When a suspended CPHI(C) holder renews their membership and wishes to have their CPHI(C) reinstated immediately it is their responsibility to make this request in writing to the CIPHI Office.
- 10. Upon confirmation of membership renewal, the office will prepare a letter of reinstatement, copy the BOC Chair and provide this letter to the suspended CPHI(C) holder, confirming their CPHI(C) reinstatement. (See Attachment #4).
- 11. The suspended CPHI(C) holder receiving their reinstatement will then be added to the public membership list on the CIPHI.ca website.

## **Membership Terminated**

- 1. The CIPHI Office provides the NEC with the names of CPHI(C) holders subject to mandatory membership whose membership has been terminated or who have been expelled or suspended from holding a membership in CIPHI.
- 2. Upon approval of these names by the NEC the CIPHI Office will determine if the CPHI(C) holder is subject to mandatory membership (anyone issued a CPHI(C) after January 1, 2017)
- 3. The CIPHI Office will provide the BOC with the names of CPHI(C) holders whose CPHI(C)s are subject to suspension.
- 4. The BOC will review the list and confirm with the CIPHI Office the CPHI(C) holders whose CPHI(C) should be suspended.
- 5. Upon confirmation from BOC the CIPHI Office will generate and courier the CPHI(C) holders, a letter notifying them of their CPHI(C) suspension. (See Attachment #3)
- 6. A suspended CPHI(C) holder may appeal the suspension of their CPHI(C) on the basis that they have not been terminated, expelled, or suspended from holding membership in CIPHI and can produce evidence to support this. The appeal should be sent in writing to the CIPHI Office
- 7. A CPHI(C) will remain under suspension until their membership termination has been lifted, they have renewed their membership and they have been notified their CPHI(C) has been reinstated.
- 8. When the CIPHI Office updates the public Membership Directory (handled quarterly), the Office will crosscheck and reinstate the CPHI(C) of suspended members that have renewed for the current year since the last directory update.
- 9. When a suspended CPHI(C) holder renews their membership and wishes to have their CPHI(C) reinstated immediately it is their responsibility to make this request in writing to the CIPHI Office.
- 10. Upon confirmation of membership renewal, the office will prepare a letter of reinstatement, copy the BOC Chair and provide this letter to the suspended CPHI(C) holder, confirming their CPHI(C) reinstatement. (See Attachment #4).
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### Accountability

The National Executive Council and Board of Certification are responsible for the application of this policy.

## Supporting Documents

NOP # 23 – Professional Development Hours – Progressive Compliance Cycle NOP # 25 – Termination and Reinstatement of Membership - Maintaining Professional Development Hours

# Attachments / Appendices

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