College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta Hearing Tribunal Decision

September 27, 2024

IN ACCORDANCE WITH BYLAW 24.5 OF THE COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS OF ALBERTA

On August 26, 2024, a Hearing Tribunal of the College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta found Dr. Preety Bachan guilty of unprofessional conduct and she was sanctioned. A Hearing Tribunal is an independent group of decision makers comprised of two members of the public appointed by the Government of Alberta and two dentists registered in Alberta.

Dr. Bachan admitted that she had directed staff to bill for emergency examinations, even when an examination was not an emergency examination.

ORDERS OF HEARING TRIBUNAL

The Hearing Tribunal accepted a Joint Submission on Penalty from the parties and issued the following orders on sanction:

- 1. Dr. Bachan is reprimanded, with the decision of the Hearing Tribunal serving as the reprimand;
- 2. Dr. Bachan shall complete a course on professionalism and ethics for health care professionals;
- 3. Dr. Bachan will pay the costs of the investigation and hearing in the amount of \$10,000.