

**College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta  
Hearing Tribunal Decision**

October 11, 2024

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

On October 1, 2024, a Hearing Tribunal of the College of Dental Surgeons of Alberta found Dr. Holly Fritz 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. Fritz admitted that she had failed to obtain informed consent from the parent of a minor patient prior to extracting teeth from the minor patient, including failing to obtain express consent, given the nature of the treatment.

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. Fritz is reprimanded, with the decision of the Hearing Tribunal serving as the reprimand;
2. Dr. Fritz shall complete an approved course on patient communication;
3. Dr. Fritz shall pay a fine in the amount of \$2,500; and
4. Dr. Fritz will pay the 50% of the costs of the investigation and hearing up a maximum amount of \$7,500.