

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF MANITOBA
INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE DECISION

CENSURE: IC1516
DR. BHUPINDER SINGH BEDI

On November 23, 2011, in accordance with Section 47(1)(c) of *The Medical Act*, the Investigation Committee of the College censured Dr. Bhupinder Bedi with respect to the breaches of his undertaking with the College.

PREAMBLE:

An undertaking given by a member of the College to the College is a solemn and express promise by the member. By the undertaking, the member takes upon himself or herself a commitment to the College to adhere to the terms of the undertaking. The College expects any member who signs an undertaking to fully comply with the terms of that undertaking.

II. THE RELEVANT FACTS ARE:

1. On or about July 2, 2008, Dr. Bedi signed an undertaking to the College which, amongst other terms, included a commitment to:
 - a. abstain from consuming alcohol;
 - b. participate in a body fluid monitoring program; and
 - c. attend caregivers and support programs on a schedule set out in the undertaking.
2. Dr. Bedi's compliance with the undertaking was monitored through the Physician Health Program operated by the Standards Committee of the College.
3. In January 2010, Dr. Bedi was referred to the Investigation Committee with respect to concerns that he had not fully complied with the terms of his undertaking.
4. The Investigation Committee accepted Dr. Bedi's explanations with respect to these concerns and made certain adjustments to the undertaking to address changes in his circumstances. It closed its investigation with a specific warning to Dr. Bedi that future breaches of the undertaking would not be tolerated.
5. Dr. Bedi's revised undertaking took effect on March 10, 2010.
6. On or about April 13, 2010, Dr. Bedi was required to attend for body fluid monitoring, and did not attend within the specified time period.
7. On or about May 31, 2010, Dr. Bedi's body fluid monitoring tests revealed blood alcohol levels of .082 on the initial test and .074 on the subsequent test.
8. At the request of the College, Dr. Bedi agreed not to practice. Dr. Bedi sought further treatment and remained out of practice until August 2011,

- at which point he re-entered practice with increased supports.
9. In his written response to the College and in his interview with the College, Dr. Bedi acknowledged the breaches of the undertaking to the College. Dr. Bedi explained the personal circumstances in his life at the time, and his current efforts in recovery.

III. ON THESE FACTS, THE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE RECORDS ITS DISAPPROVAL OF DR. BEDI'S CONDUCT, IN PARTICULAR THE BREACHES OF HIS UNDERTAKING TO THE COLLEGE SET OUT ABOVE.

In addition to appearing before the Investigation Chair, Dr. Bedi paid the costs of the investigation in the amount of \$1873.75.