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Attending a Hearing

What you need to know

All hearings are open to the public unless the Inquiry Panel orders that all or part of the hearing be held in private. The purpose of the Inquiry is to ensure that an impartial hearing is given to the person who has been charged and that the public interest has been served. The Panel may find that the allegations against the registrant have not been proven. If all or some of the allegations are proven, a registrant may be reprimanded, subject to a period of suspension, cancellation of licence, terms and conditions imposed, and may be assessed costs of the investigation/inquiry.

HEARINGS HELD IN PRIVATE

A hearing, or any part of it, may be held in private pursuant to section 122 (2) of the *Regulated Health Professions Act* ("RHPA"). The decision to close a portion or all of the hearing can be made at the last minute, and all public attendees will be asked to leave the hearing room or disconnect from the hearing if it is being held virtually. If we become aware of an application to close the proceedings, we'll make every effort to notify all registered attendees in advance.

HEARING DECISIONS

Some hearings take more than one day, and the Inquiry Panel may not make its final decision on the day of the hearing. Once a decision is made, it will be made available on our website at cpsm.mb.ca.

We are not permitted to comment on the hearing itself or any of the information presented until the Inquiry Panel issues their decision in writing and it has been made available to the public via our website.

Both the registrant and CPSM have 30 days to appeal the Inquiry Panel's decision.

Should you wish to attend a hearing that is being held virtually, please register at least 24 hours in advance. If you have any questions, please email: hearings@cpsm.mb.ca