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Retaining Qualified Medical Assessors

As an insurance professional, you are increasingly being called upon to make important decisions regarding the appropriate type of assessment and assessor. A beneficial strategy is to select Medical Assessors who are Regulated Health Professionals (RHPs).

The Regulated Health Professions Act regulates 23 health professions through various regulatory bodies called colleges that set the standards for skills, knowledge and behaviour for their members. The RHPs are held accountable for any breach in practice.

For example, Physicians, Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Nurses and Psychologists are all governed by a corresponding regulatory body: The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, College of Physiotherapists of Ontario,

College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario, etc.

In addition to membership in their respective governing bodies, most RHPs are also affiliated with associations, such as The Canadian Society of Medical Examiners, Ontario Physiotherapy Association, Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists, etc.

Retaining medical assessors who are RHPs provides you with peace of mind knowing that they must adhere to an independent governing body. In addition, Medical Assessors who are RHPs are obligated through their designation to ensure objectivity.

Please see the attached chart for an overview of the Regulated Health Professions Act.

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