

## Practice Guidance: Question of the month

### **Can a physiotherapist incorporate their physiotherapy practice under the *Physiotherapists Act*?**

Our current legislation, the *Physiotherapists Act*, has no provision for incorporation of a physiotherapy practice. Registrants of the College who want to pursue incorporation are advised to establish a separate entity from their physiotherapy practice/clinic. It is important to remember that the protected title, “physiotherapy” and “physical therapy”, should not be used in the name of this entity as no clinical services are being provided. This new entity or holding company can manage the business dealings of the practice but would not provide physiotherapy services to the public. Registrants should review Practice Direction on Incorporation for more information. The College would suggest a registrant seek the advice of legal counsel or an accountant if they have questions.

**Please Note:** We are moving towards new legislation, the *Regulated Health Professions Act*, where a health profession corporation may be established by one or more regulated members of the same regulated health profession. Information related to registering a health profession corporation will be shared with registrants closer to the time of transition to the new legislation. Although we have started working with the government, we have not been provided a timeline for when the transition to this new legislation will occur.