



COLLABORATIVE ROSTER SOCIETY

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PRACTICE DIRECTIVE DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2023

RE: B.C. COLLABORATIVE ROSTER SOCIETY PRACTICE DIRECTIVE ON APPENTICE MEMBERS

The BC Collaborative Roster Society is aware that Collaborative practice groups across the Province have implemented or are considering implementing categories of membership to allow for “Apprentice Members” – practitioners who have attended the introductory multi-disciplinary collaborative training, but who have not yet fulfilled their interest-based mediation training. The Roster is aware that Apprentice Members may be permitted to participate in formal Collaborative files and sign Participation Agreements. While the establishment of practice group membership criteria is outside the Roster’s mandate, the Roster is committed to supporting the growth of Collaborative practice and encourages practice groups who are establishing Apprentice Member categories to consider implementing the following conditions for any Apprentice Members:

1. Apprentice Members should be an active member of a local practice group;
2. Apprentice Members should have completed their introductory multi-disciplinary collaborative training in British Columbia;
3. Apprentice Members should confirm their awareness of the IACP minimum expected standards for their respective profession and should disclose to their prospective client and their prospective Collaborative team their status as an Apprentice Member;
4. Apprentice Members should only participate in a Collaborative Process if their team counterpart is a Participating Member (i.e. there should not be more than one Apprentice Member on a Collaborative file);
5. Practice groups should establish a reasonable time frame within which the remaining requirements to become a full-fledged Participating Member are satisfied and track completion of those requirements;
6. Apprentice Members should establish mentorship relationships with experienced Collaborative practitioners in their field of practice; and
7. Apprentice Members should indicate their status as an Apprentice Member below their signature in the Participation Agreement.