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CPSA Statement on Bill 207: Conscientious Rights Protection Act – Notice of Proposed Amendment dated November 18, 2019

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA) fundamentally believes our Conscientious Objection Standard of Practice (SOP) sufficiently protects access to care and meets the needs of all Albertans, while respecting the rights of physicians' conscientious beliefs.

CPSA has provided suggestions to MLA Mr. Williams on the proposed amendments to Bill 207 and believe the new wording is in greater alignment with our Standard of Practice. Based on the new wording, Bill 207 would not change how CPSA functions as a regulator.

Resources:

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The College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta is the regulator for all physicians and surgeons in the province and is governed by the Health Professions Act. Our role is to protect the public by issuing practice permits to those who meet educational and training criteria, hold Alberta physicians to ethical and medical practice standards, and investigate and resolve physician-related complaints. The CPSA also ensures the safety and quality of medical and diagnostic testing services in Alberta through an independent accreditation program.

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