

POLICY # & TITLE	8.3 Drug Testing Review Consultant Role
PURPOSE	Describe the role and responsibilities of the Drug Testing Review Consultant (DTRC) in the Physician Health Monitoring Program (PHMP)
SCOPE	Physicians and/or other health care professionals responsible for receiving, reviewing, and evaluating laboratory results generated by the CPSAs biological monitoring program
NOTES	The DTRC is an integral part of the CPSA PHMP. The role of the DTRC in the CPSA PHMP has been adapted to physician aftercare settings to oversee the drug testing protocols in the program.

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POLICY STATEMENT

The DTRC is required to carry out the following responsibilities:

- 1) Serve as a consultant to the PHMP
- 2) Participate in the day-to-day operation of the program, which typically involves:
 - a) Initial consultation regarding appropriate screening protocols for new participants
 - b) Receive and review the results generated by the program
 - c) Comment when requested on cessation of biological monitoring
- 3) Suggest or comment on changes to screening protocols as required
- 4) Ensure the ongoing integrity of the drug and alcohol testing component of the monitoring program
- 5) Contribute to ongoing quality improvement through liaison with key stakeholders

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Registrar is given the authority to determine competence, including continuing competence of regulated members. The HPA allows the Registrar to delegate functions and duties to another person or committee. The Registrar's duties and responsibility under Part 3 of the HPA have been delegated to the Assistant Registrar(s) and/or Competence Committee responsible for continuing competence, including physician health monitoring.

APPROVAL

Council governing the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta

AUTHORITY DOCUMENTS

- [Health Professions Act](#)
- [CPSA Bylaws](#)
- [CPSA's Standards of Practice](#)
- [Code of Ethics & Professionalism](#)