## Public Notification

- 1. **Nature of Action:** Following an investigation by the College of Naturopathic Physicians of British Columbia (the "College"), the Inquiry Committee (the "Committee") determined that this would be an appropriate case in which to seek a consent order from Allison Patton, ND (the "Registrant") under sections 33(6)(c) and 36(1) of the *Health Professions Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 183 (the "*Act*").
- 2. Approval date: February 06, 2020.
- 3. Name of registrant & location of practice: Allison Patton, Surrey, B.C.
- 4. **Acknowledgements:** The Registrant has acknowledged that she:
  - a. used the title Physician, Doctor and Dr. without denoting she is a naturopathic doctor in violation of section 2.1 of the Advertising Policy and section 102 of the Bylaws.
- 5. **Disposition:** The Registrant has agreed to a consent order including the following terms:
  - a. an undertaking
    - not repeat the conduct of using the title Physician, Doctor and Dr. without denoting she is a naturopathic doctor or physician;
    - to identify and represent herself as a naturopathic doctor or physician as required by the College bylaws and advertising policy;
    - to abide by all current and future Bylaws, Standards, Policies, and Guidelines of the College;
  - b. a reprimand;
  - c. a three-day suspension from practising naturopathic medicine; and
  - d. payment of a fine to the College in the amount of \$500.
- 6. **Rationale:** The Committee considers the Registrant's conduct to be serious. The Committee is satisfied that the terms of the consent order will protect the public and has accepted the consent order pursuant to sections 36(1)(a), (c) and (d) of the *Act*.