



Public Notification – Interim Action

- Please note that the following Public Notification was an interim action under section 35 of the *Health Professions Act*, RSBC 1996, c 183 (the “*Act*”). **This action is no longer in effect and no further action was taken in relation to this matter.**

Dr. Moonsang Choi, ND

Date of action: June 2012

Description of action taken:

The Inquiry Committee imposed limits and conditions on the practice of Dr. Moonsang Choi, ND, (the “Registrant”), license #479, under the *Act*, section 35(1)(a), pending completion of an investigation initiated by the Inquiry Committee’s own motion under the section 33(4) of the *Act*.

The following limits and conditions are imposed on the registrant’s practice:

- 1) Dr. Choi shall cease and desist from using laser technology for the purpose of cutting or destroying tissue;
- 2) Dr. Choi shall cease and desist from using any online advertising of his practice through any web site until the content of the advertising has been approved in writing by the Registrar of the College;
- 3) Dr. Choi shall cease and desist from delivering naturopathic services through a corporation that is not a health profession corporation approved by and registered with the College.

Reasons for action taken:

The temporary suspension is intended by the Inquiry Committee to protect the public. In imposing the limits and conditions, the Inquiry Committee has considered:

- 1) Dr. Choi's history with the College;
- 2) The tenor and content of Dr. Choi's web site advertising, in particular his claims of specialization and certification in areas not approved or regulated by the College;
- 3) Dr. Choi's claims regarding the use of laser technology in providing naturopathic services to his patients; and
- 4) Dr. Choi's existing corporation, "MC2 Aesthetic & Regenerative Clinic Inc.", which he incorporated in 2008 and which is not registered with the College as a health profession corporation.

The Inquiry Committee has the power to take interim action, including suspension, against registrants under section 35 of the Act. Measures taken under section 35(1) pertain to matters which are and remain unproven unless admitted by a registrant or determined by the Discipline Committee. Actions taken under section 35(1) are subject to appeal to the Supreme Court of British Columbia.