



**Type:** Consent Resolution

**Name:** Shaminder Sangha, RMT

**Location:** Surrey, BC

**Date of Action:** September 24, 2025

**Nature of Action:** The registrant, Shaminder Sangha, voluntarily entered into an undertaking and consent agreement with a panel of the Inquiry Committee of the College to address the conduct that was the subject of a complaint investigation (the “Conduct”).

As part of the agreement, Mr. Sangha agreed to the following terms:

1. Formal reprimand from the College.
2. Undertaking not to repeat the Conduct.
3. Suspension of Mr. Sangha's registration with the College for a period of three days.
4. Permanent prohibition from having a cell phone present in any treatment room during the hands-on portion of massage therapy treatment.
5. Cooperation with random audits of the premises used by Mr. Sangha to practice massage therapy.
6. Payment of a fine in the amount of \$1,000.
7. Payment of a portion of the costs of the investigation in the amount of \$750.

**Reasons:** The undertaking and consent agreement relates to an investigation initiated by the Inquiry Committee on November 22, 2024.

Mr. Sangha provided a massage therapy treatment to an undercover investigator (the “Investigator”) on December 17, 2024 (the “Treatment”).

Mr. Sangha admitted that during the Treatment:

- Without the Investigator's knowledge or consent, Mr. Sangha used his cell phone on multiple occasions through the Treatment, including using his cell phone with his right hand while massaging the Investigator's back with his left hand.



- Mr. Sangha used a vaping product, which constitutes a violation of section 2.3 of the *Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act*.

Mr. Sangha admitted that he has used his cell phone during treatment with patients other than the Investigator on more than one occasion, without their consent and for a purpose that did not involve therapeutic care.

Mr. Sangha also admitted that he failed to address his personal stress in a manner which impacted his ability to meet his professional obligations.

The Conduct violates the Practice Environment Standard of Practice and the Code of Ethics for registered massage therapists and constitutes professional misconduct.

The Conduct represents a serious failure to uphold professional standards intended to protect patient safety and ensure the integrity of care. Mr. Sangha's use of a cell phone during hands-on treatment diverted his attention from his patients and raised concerns about patient privacy and trust in the clinical environment. Additionally, using a vaping product within the clinical setting is both unprofessional and poses a potential health risk to patients and staff.

The panel of the Inquiry Committee is satisfied that the terms of the undertaking and consent agreement will protect the public interest.