



**Type:** Consent Resolution

**Name:** Hamidreza Salahi Esfahani, RMT

**Location:** Vancouver, BC

**Date of Action:** April 1, 2026

**Nature of Action:** On April 1, 2026, Hamidreza Salahi Esfahani, Registered Massage Therapist (“Mr. Salahi”) entered into an Undertaking and Consent Agreement pursuant to section 33(6)(c) and section 36(1) of the *Health Professions Act* (the “Act”), following an investigation by the College of Complementary Health Professionals of B.C.’s (the “College”) Inquiry Committee into a complaint, as well as Mr. Sahali’s compliance with an order made under section 35 of the Act. The Undertaking and Consent Agreement resulted from a decision of the Inquiry Committee made under the *Health Professions Act*.

**Background:** The undertaking and consent agreement relates to a complaint received by the College on May 28, 2025, from a patient (the “Patient”). During the investigation, the Inquiry Committee placed restrictions on Mr. Salahi’s registration pursuant to section 35 of the *Health Professions Act* (the “Section 35 Order”), which was the subject of a [September 8, 2025 Public Notice](#).

Following the investigation, on April 1, 2026, Mr. Salahi admitted to engaging in conduct which constituted professional misconduct, including hugging the Patient, remarking on the Patient’s appearance, failing to inform the Patient in advance of draping options with respect to assessment and treatment of her breasts, and massaging the Patient’s breasts without the Patient’s consent and when treatment of the Patient’s breasts was not therapeutically indicated. Mr. Salahi admitted that this conduct breached the following standards then in effect for massage therapy: sections 1(c), 12(c), 18, 19, and 22 of the Boundaries standard of practice, sections 3(c) and 4(b)(i) of the Consent standard of practice, and sections 7 and 15 of the Code of Ethics.

Mr. Salahi further admitted that he failed to comply with the Section 35 Order by failing to post the required notices.

**Resolution:** On March 11, 2026, the College’s Inquiry Committee resolved to dispose of the matter by requiring that Mr. Salahi undertake or consent to the following:



- a formal reprimand by the College;
- undertakings not to repeat the conduct;
- a suspension of Mr. Salahi's registration with the College for a period of one month;
- completion of a learning course on professional ethics (the "PROBE" course);
- an agreement to attend one or more meetings with a College Practice Advisor (CPA) to discuss the conduct issues outlined in the agreement;
- payment of a portion of the costs of the investigation; and
- an agreement that the following limits and conditions, originally imposed by the Section 35 Order, will continue until Mr. Salahi has completed his suspension, required coursework, and meetings with the CPA:
  - Mr. Salahi is not permitted to perform manual lymphatic drainage technique on any patient, for any purpose;
  - Mr. Salahi is not permitted to massage any patient, for any purpose, in the area between rib 2 and rib 9;
  - Mr. Salahi must post a notice of the Section 35 Order in all waiting rooms and treatment rooms where he practices massage therapy;
  - Mr. Salahi must post a notice of the Section 35 Order on all online booking pages associated with his massage therapy practice; and
  - Mr. Salahi must, by 6:00 p.m. every Friday, provide the College with, or electronic access to, his calendar, including the name and contact information for each patient he treated in the preceding week.

The Inquiry Committee was satisfied that this resolution is consistent with the College's mandate to protect the public.