

Regulations and other acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1297-2001, 31 October 2001

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26)

Respiratory therapists
— Code of ethics
— Amendments

Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of respiratory therapists of Québec

WHEREAS under section 87 of the Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26), the Bureau of a professional order must make, by regulation, a code of ethics governing the general and special duties of the professional towards the public, his clients and his profession, particularly the duty to discharge his professional obligations with integrity;

WHEREAS under the same section, the Code must contain, *inter alia*, provisions determining which acts are derogatory to the dignity of the profession;

WHEREAS the Bureau of the Ordre des inhalothérapeutes du Québec made the Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of respiratory therapists of Québec;

WHEREAS under section 95.3 of the Professional Code, a draft Regulation was sent to every member of the Order at least 30 days before its adoption by the Bureau;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) a draft Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 30 August 2000 with a notice that it could be submitted to the Government for approval upon the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS in accordance with section 95 of the Professional Code, the Office des professions du Québec made its recommendations;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of respiratory therapists of Québec, attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

JEAN ST-GELAIS,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 87)

1. The Code of ethics of respiratory therapists of Québec is amended by the addition of the following paragraphs subsections after paragraph 10 of section 38:

“(11) communicating with a claimant upon learning of an investigation into his professional conduct or competence or upon receiving notice of a complaint against him, without the prior written permission of the syndic or an assistant syndic;

(12) intimidating any person or carrying out or threatening to carry out reprisals against any person on the grounds that:

i. such person has denounced or intends to denounce derogatory conduct or behaviour;

ii. such person has participated or collaborated in or intends to participate or collaborate in an investigation relating to derogatory conduct or behaviour.”.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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* The Code of ethics of respiratory therapists of Québec was approved by Order in Council 451-99 dated April 21, 1999 (1999, G.O. 2, 1105). This regulation has not been amended since that date.