also be forwarded to the professional order that has adopted the regulation, as well as to the persons, departments, and agencies concerned.

GAÉTAN LEMOYNE, Chairman of the Office des professions du Québec

Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of physicians^{*}

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

1• The Code of ethics of physicians is amended in section 8:

(1) by the addition of the following paragraph at the beginning:

"A physician's duties and obligations under the Medical Act (R.S.Q., c. M-9), the Professional Code and their regulations are in no way changed or reduced by the fact that he practices the profession within a partnership or company.";

(2) by replacement of the words "this Code" with the words "this Act, this Code and these regulations".

2. The Code is amended in section 72 by addition of the following paragraph at the end:

"Any agreement entered into by the physician in regard to enjoyment of an immovable or a space in connection with the practice of his profession must be entirely recorded in writing and include a statement that the obligations arising from the agreement comply with the provisions of the Code and a clause authorizing release of the agreement to the Collège des médecins upon its request.".

3. The Code is amended in section 73 by replacing paragraph (3) with the following:

"from accepting, in his capacity as a physician or by using his title of physician, any commission, rebate or material benefit with the exception of customary presents and gifts of modest value.". **4.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

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

Physicians

— Professional activities that may be engaged in by a physician assistant in the Canadian Forces

Notice is hereby given in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) that the "Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by a physician assistant in the Canadian Forces", adopted by the Bureau of the Collège des médecins du Québec, may be submitted to the government, which may approve it with or without amendment upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

This proposed regulation authorise a physician assistant, pursuant to the terms and conditions set out in the Regulation, to engage in professional activities in a centre operated by an institution pursuant to the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2).

The Collège des médecins du Québec anticipates the amendments will have no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

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Any interested person having comments to make is requested to send them, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Chairman of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) GIR 5Z3. These comments will be forwarded by the Office to the minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions. They

^{*} The Code of Ethic of physicians approved by Order in Council No. 1213-2002 of October 9, 2002 (2002, *G.O.* 2, 5574) has not been amended since its approval.

may also be forwarded to the professional order that has adopted the regulation, as well as to the persons, departments and agencies concerned.

GAÉTAN LEMOYNE, Chairman of the Office des professions du Québec

Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by a physician assistant in the Canadian Forces

Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 94, par. *h*)

1. The purpose of this Regulation is to determine, amongst the professional activities that may be engaged in by physicians, those which, pursuant to the terms and conditions set out in the Regulation, may be engaged in by a Canadian Forces physician assistant within the framework of his or her training or within the framework of maintaining his or her competence.

2. In this Regulation, "physician assistant" means any member of the Canadian Forces who is registered in the "Physician assistant program – training plan" (CF MSS PA Program) of the Canadian Forces or has completed such a training program and whose status as physician assistant has been recognized by the Canadian Forces.

3. The physician assistant engages in the professional activities described in sections 4 and 5 in a centre operated in an institution within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2) and affiliated with universities that issue the diplomas in medicine.

DIVISION I

AUTHORIZED FAMILY MEDICINE ACTIVITIES

4. The physician assistant, under the supervision of a physician or medical resident, may engage in the following professional activities:

(1) participate in the assessment of a person's state of health;

(2) perform a physical examination but not a gynecological examination.

DIVISION II

AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY ROOM AND OPERATING ROOM ACTIVITIES

5. The physician assistant may, according to a prescription and in the presence of a physician or a competent person, engage in the following professional activities in the operating room or in the emergency room:

(1) perform a venous puncture;

(2) perform a radial arterial puncture;

(3) perform intubation;

(4) provide care and treatment for wounds and alterations of the skin;

(5) make sutures of cutaneous and subcutaneous wounds;

(6) apply plaster casts.

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

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