

## Notice to members: Proposed amendments to the BCVTA Bylaws

Following the strategic planning session in November 2022, the BCVTA Board of Directors have formed a Governance Committee. The role of the Governance Committee is to enhance the effectiveness of governance and ensure compliance with the bylaws and policies. The Committee will maintain and revise governance mandates and policies to support effective guidance and oversight. The Committee has been delegated this authority from the Board to manage and oversee the governance of the Board.

The Governance Committee and BCVTA Board of Directors have recommended the following bylaw amendments:

1. Bylaw 2.3 (d) Non-resident RVT is a person who:
  - i. Holds all of the qualifications of an Active member other than being a member in good standing with his or her governing regulatory body; and
  - ii. Does not ordinarily reside in a Canadian province or territory not having a governing body.

**Rationale:** the non-resident membership category was created to provide support for members living in Canadian provinces and territories without a governing body. With the increase in locum opportunities and telemedicine, it is now appropriate to amend this category of membership to include members from provinces and territories that do have governing bodies that may have different legislation and regulations than BC.

### ***Proposed amendment:***

- Bylaw 2.3 (d) Non-resident RVT is a person who:
- i. Holds all of the qualifications of an Active member
  - ii. Does not reside in British Columbia

2. Bylaw 3.1 Time and Place of General Meetings

General meetings of the Society will be held at least twice in every calendar year and at such time and place, in accordance with the Act, as the Board decides.

**Rationale:** Following strategic planning in November 2022, it was recommended that the BCVTA reduce the number of General meetings of the members from two meetings to one. The Association will continue to offer two opportunities for continuing education and opportunities for members to provide feedback and input through the remaining annual general meeting, committee work, email, and newsletters.

### ***Proposed amendment:***

- Bylaw 3.1 Time and Place of General Meetings

General meetings of the Society will be held at least **once** in every calendar year and at such time and place, in accordance with the Act, as the Board decides