



## PODCAST

### A CPS-BC Alert to Registrants June 8, 2017

Registrants are reminded of the following, as reported in issue 17-01 of The College Matters.

#### **STOCKING EPINEPHRINE IN PODIATRY PRACTICES**

##### **Requirement to stock Epinephrine**

The Board has amended the Practice Facility Standards to require every podiatric practice facility to stock epinephrine for staff's ready access and use in anaphylaxis emergencies.

The Board and Quality Assurance Committee will allow registrants a reasonable period of time to take steps to bring their facilities into compliance with this new requirement.

It is foreseeable that a patient of any health care discipline could be in distress from an anaphylactic event, including at a podiatrist's clinic. All practitioners should be prepared to address an apparent crisis in an emergency until further help arrives.

#### **WEEKLY AUTOCLAVE TESTING**

##### **Requirement to test autoclaves weekly**

The Board has amended the Foot Care Instruments Sterilization Standards to require that all autoclaves undergo biological indicator (spore) testing on a weekly rather than monthly basis.

This brings the College's requirements into closer line with authorities and other regulators.

Again, a reasonable period of time will be allowed for practitioners to take steps to bring their facilities into compliance with this revised, higher requirement. The timeline will follow soon.

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