

COLLEGE OF
Optometrists
OF ONTARIO

REGISTRAR | CEO REPORT – JUN 2020

Regulatory

Key Regulatory Areas

Registration

- Jurisprudence exam moved to online format
- Plans for fast-tracking registration once OEBC exam dates confirmed

Investigations

- Panels continue to meet
- Decision backlog cleared – all decisions issued within 30 days of meeting
- Data analytics/reporting

Quality Assurance

- Working towards restart of assessments
- Considering virtual coaching and online self-assessments
- Preparing for CE audits of the 2018-2020 cycle

Regulation Submission Process



DEVELOPMENT

Scope Reg



COUNCIL
APPROVAL

Registration
Reg #2



SUBMISSION TO
GOVERNMENT

Registration
Reg #1



REGULATORY
CONSULTATION

Drug Reg

Spousal
Exemption Reg



MINISTER OF
HEALTH REVIEW



LGIC APPROVAL

Jun 12- Jul 27, 2020

Operations

Key Activities

Vendor/contract reviews

Regulatory process reviews

Bookkeeping modernization

Enabling remote regulation

Data/Reporting

Communication (Fast, clear,
honest, helpful)

Areas of Focus



Transparency



Modernization



Leadership



Collaboration



Planning/prioritization



By the numbers



27 communications to
optometrists

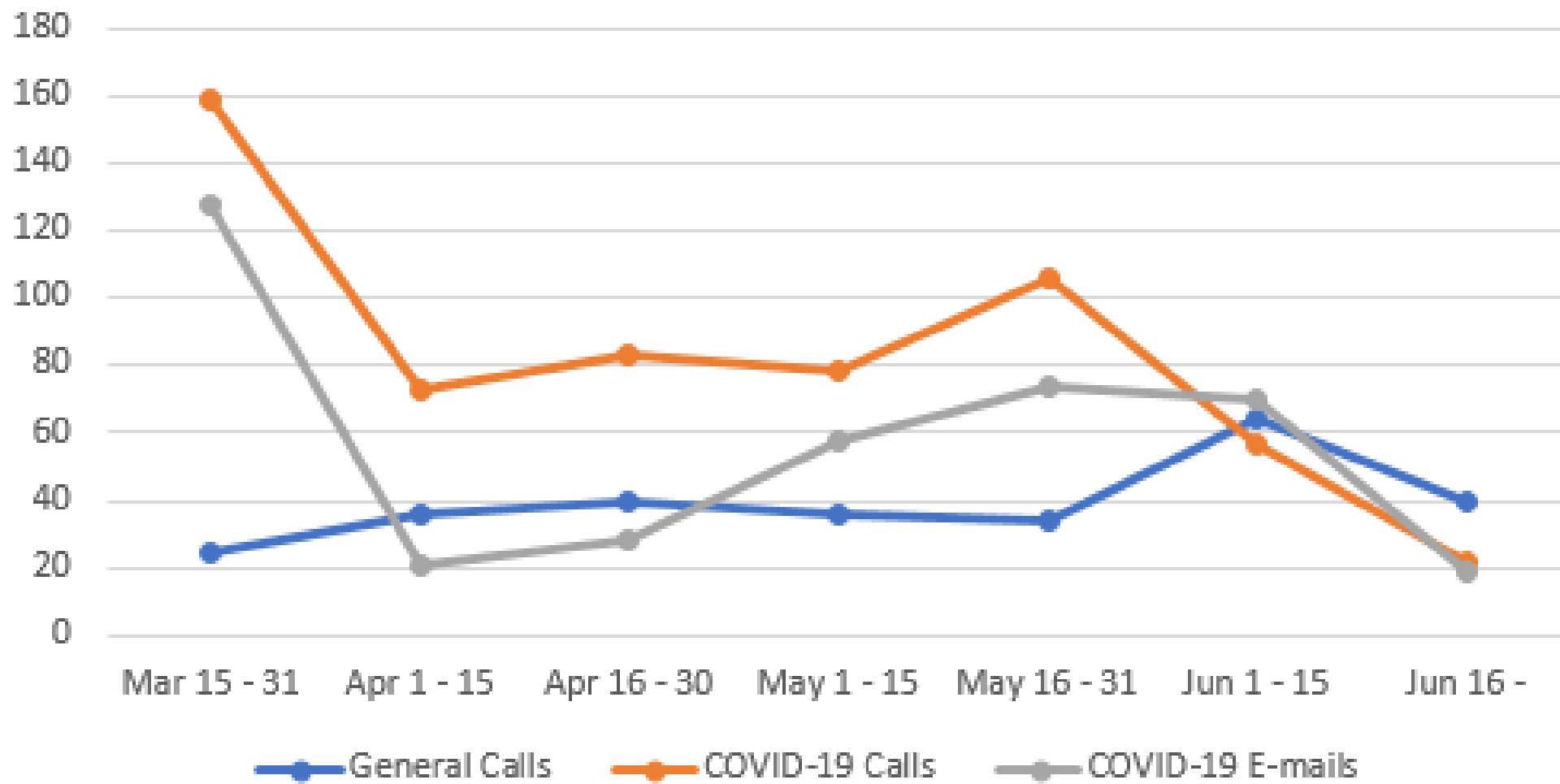


970 calls/emails
responded to

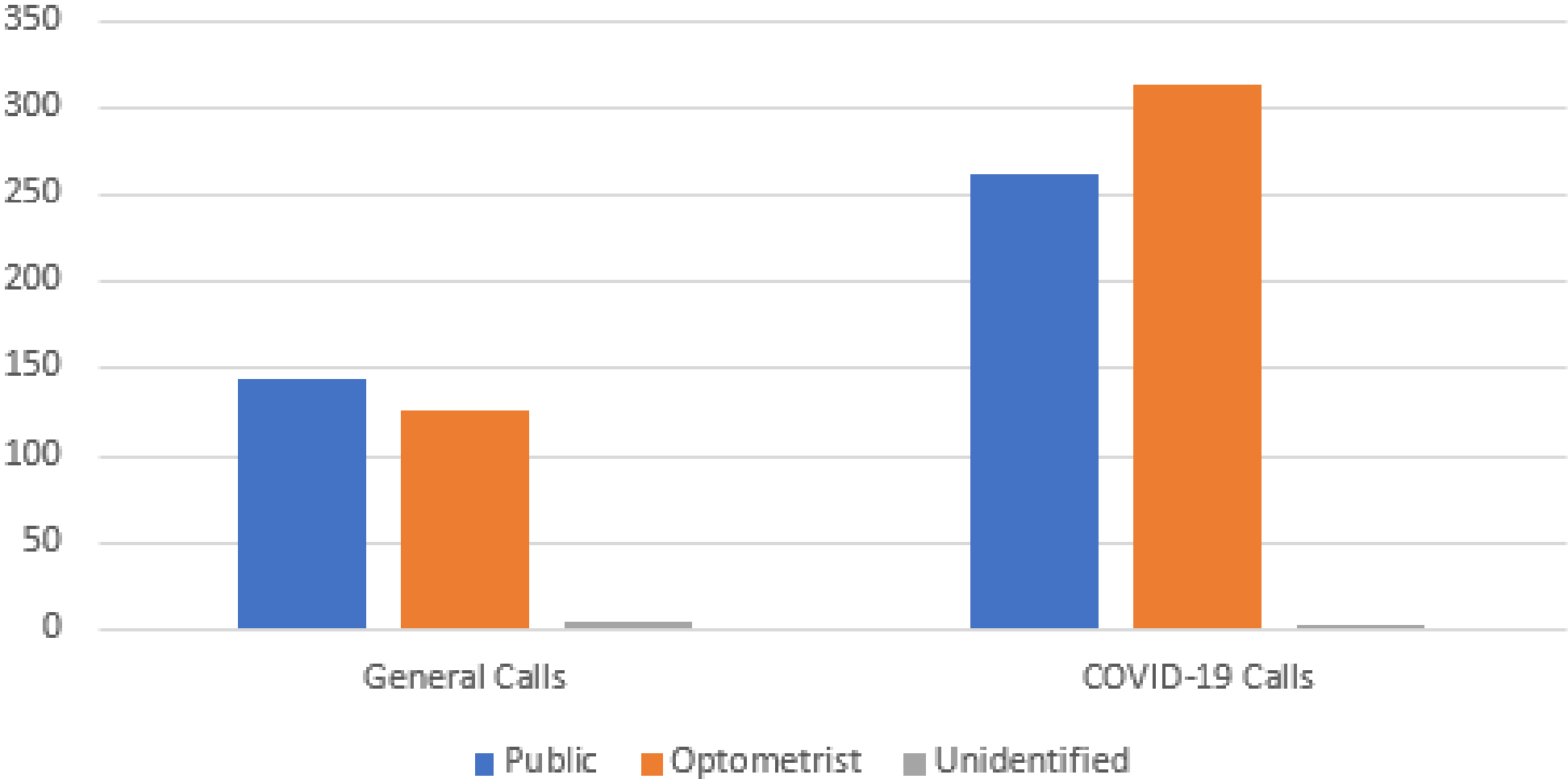


11,634 web hits to the
RTW document

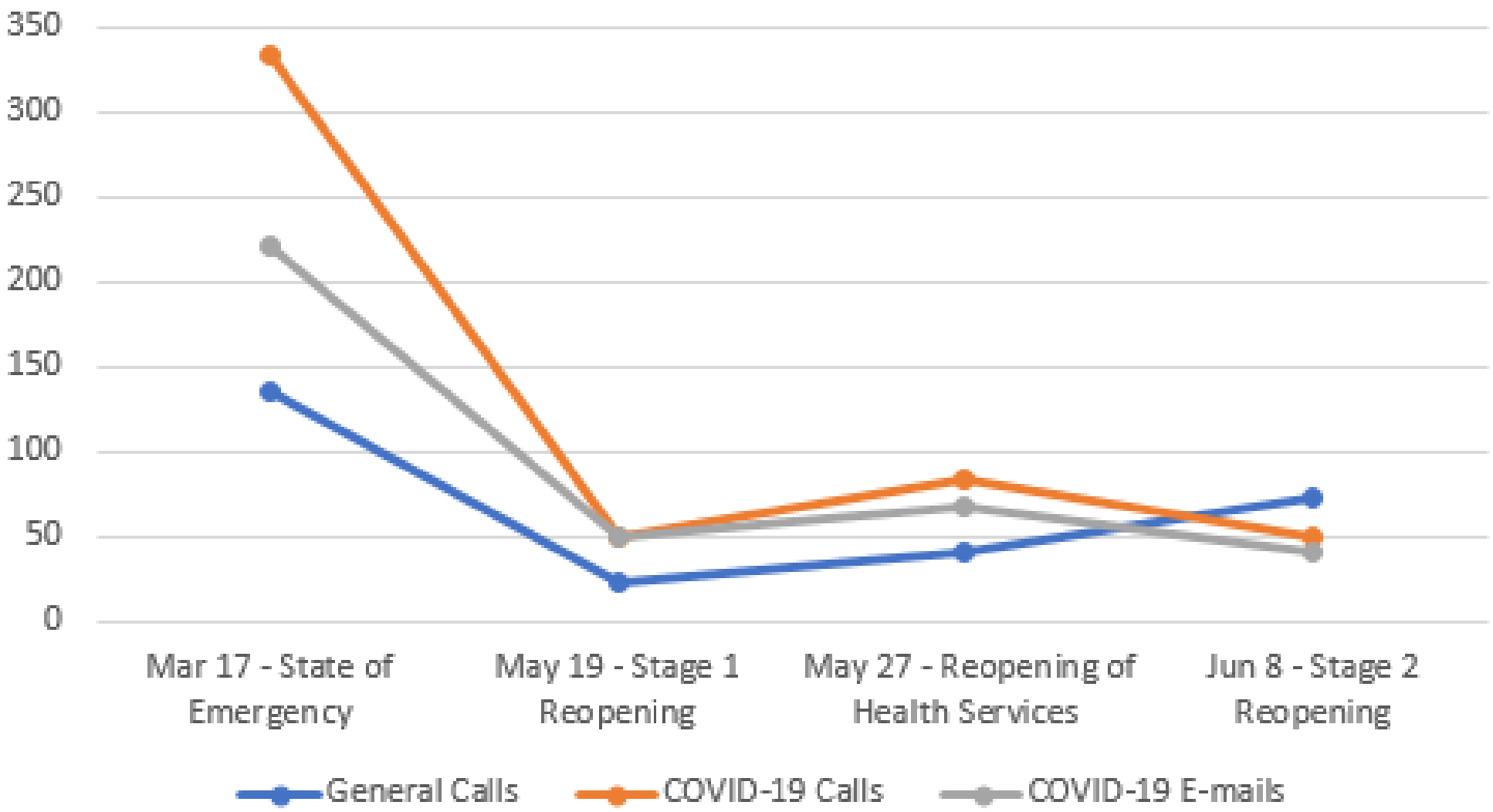
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Type of Caller

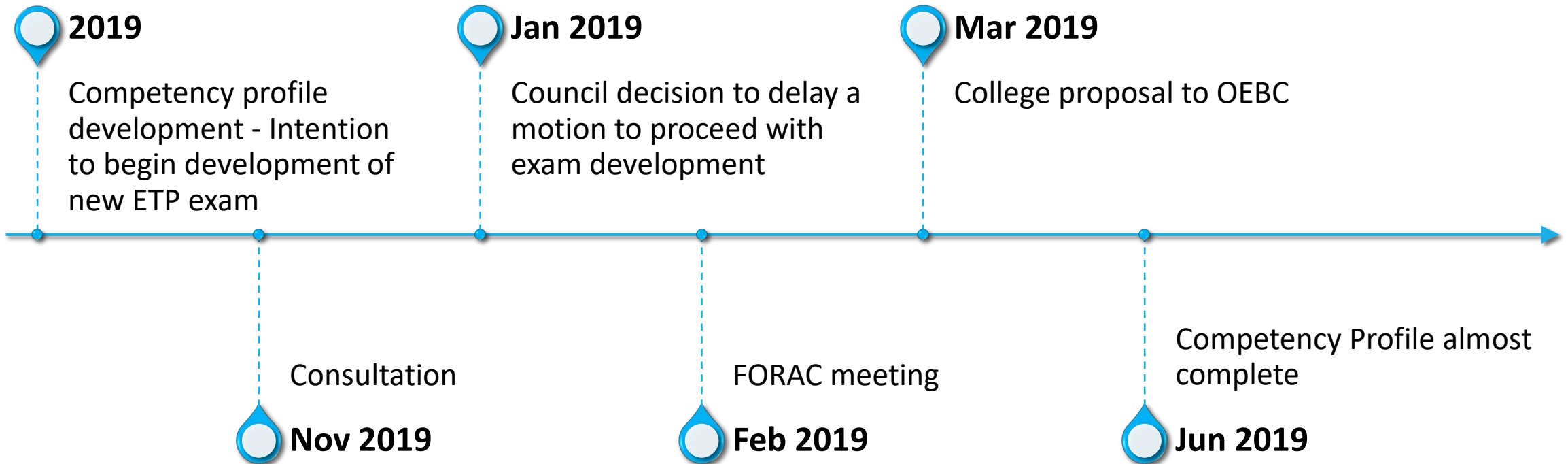


Inquiries by Key COVID-19 Timepoints



Strategic

Entry to Practice



OEBC Update

Jun 1 - CEO Kim Allen

Jun 18 - Board summary and action items

- Enhanced communication with members
- Governance Policy Manual
- Board restructuring/reduction in members
- Exam regulation/reduction in exam costs
- Response to College's proposal

OEBC Current Focus – Ensuring applicants can take the exam ASAP

Optometry Stakeholders

OAO

WOVS

FORAC

OEBC

Other Stakeholders

CAG

HPRO

AGRE

MOHLTC

Challenges for Regulators

Sir Harry Cayton



**Council on Licensure,
Enforcement & Regulation**
Promoting Regulatory Excellence

1. COVID-19
2. Black Lives Matter
3. Political
4. Environmental

Key Issues



COPE

NBERC

NBEO

How will regulatory boards change their approach as a result of COVID-19?

Temporary licensure – approaches vary

Return to work requirements – approaches vary

Telehealth – relaxation of standards likely

CE requirements – limitations on on-line delivery likely not justifiable

CE content – move to include specified CE in some states (e.g. opioids, cultural sensitivity)

Next 3-6 Months



Corporate Planning



Financial Analysis/Budget Revision



Continued Communication



Technology Planning



Virtual Boardroom



- ✓ Easy to use
- ✓ Secure online access to all board materials and discussions in one spot
- ✓ Notification to board updates
- ✓ Online voting, signatures & surveys
- ✓ Document annotation & sharing
- ✓ Calendar, contacts, & archive viewing
- ✓ Accessible from web browser or tablet app
- ✓ Help videos, personalized training, friendly & efficient support

