Public Notification<br>Jason Klop, Former Registrant - License Number 00798

## Nature of Action

On November 1, 2023, the College of Naturopathic Physicians of British Columbia agreed to a consent order with Jason Klop following an investigation by the College Inquiry Committee. This consent order was executed pursuant to section 37.1 of the Health Professions Act.

The investigation was based on information appearing on Jason Klop's websites, as well as reports from members of the public, which raised several concerns regarding his compliance with the standards and regulations applicable to the practice of naturopathic medicine in BC . The investigation included potential advertising, scope of practice, and standard of practice concerns.

Upon concluding the investigation, the Inquiry Committee directed the Registrar of the College to issue a citation for a disciplinary hearing. Following the issuance of this citation, but prior to the commencement of the hearing, the College reached agreement with Jason Klop on the terms of a consent order. In these circumstances, section 37.1 of the Health Professions Act requires the College to notify the public of the information set out in this notice.

## Date of Public Notification

November 1, 2023.

## Name of Former Registrant and list of Former Locations of Practice

Jason Klop
Dr. Jason Klop ND Inc.
9545 Gibson Road
Chilliwack, BC V2P 6H4
Dr. Jason Klop ND Inc.
\#18-45615 Tamihi Way
Chilliwack, BC V2R OM1

## Terms of Consent Order

1. Jason Klop admits:
a. He provided information to patients about FMT and how it can be used to treat autism and provided FMT materials to patients for treatment of autism when FMT treatments were not authorized by Health Canada and are outside the scope of practice for naturopathic medicine in British Columbia, contrary to s. 3 of the Naturopathic Physicians Regulation
b. He included patient testimonials for FMT and made unverifiable statements in his marketing and advertising contrary to section 100 of the Bylaws and College Advertising Policy; and
c. The NovelBiome website was accessible to Canadians from Canadian IP addresses intermittently from July 2021 to January 2023 despite his statement to the College on or about July 28, 2021 that "Canadians were banned from being able to access the NovelBiome website"
2. Jason Klop consents to the cancellation of his registration with the College effective November 1, 2023.
3. Jason Klop consents and undertakes to pay a fine of $\$ 7,500$ to the College
4. Jason Klop acknowledges that he will not be eligible to seek reinstatement of registration with the College for a period of five years from November 1, 2023.

## Reasons

The provision of information to patients about FMT for the treatment of autism was outside the scope of practice for naturopathic doctors in BC, and contrary to Health Canada's policies relating to FMT. Jason Klop continued to engage in the provision of this information to patients after the College notified him that this was contrary to his scope of practice.

Jason Klop's use of patient testimonials in advertising was prohibited by the College's Advertising Policy that was in effect at that time. His marketing and advertising materials also contained several unverifiable claims which were contrary to the Advertising Policy.

During the investigation, Jason Klop agreed to make his NovelBiome website inaccessible from Canadian IP addresses. However, the website was subsequently found to be accessible from Canadian IP addresses intermittently on multiple occasions.

Following the issuance of the citation to a disciplinary hearing, Jason Klop gave the Inquiry Committee a written proposal to resolve the matter under section 37.1 of the Health Professions Act. The Inquiry Committee was satisfied that the terms of the consent order are in the best interests of the public, in view of the College's duty to serve and protect the public, and therefore accepted the proposal.

