**Appointment Notice**

**Beverley Zwicker named Registrar of the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists**

The Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists is pleased to announce the selection of Beverley Zwicker as its next Registrar. Beverley will be commencing her new role as Registrar on January 1, 2016.

Beverley has held a key leadership position with the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists as Deputy Registrar for the last nine years. Significant accomplishments during her tenure as Deputy Registrar include establishing and implementing standards of practice for continuous quality assurance programs in community pharmacies and standards of practice for the provision of methadone maintenance treatment pharmacy services; leading the development of a new registration database. Beverley has represented the College on a number of provincial and national committees, including the executive of the Canadian Council on Continuing Education in Pharmacy (CCCEP) and as a member of key committees of the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (NAPRA).

Prior to joining the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists, Beverley led the provision of continuing education for pharmacists in Nova Scotia in her role as Coordinator, Dalhousie University Continuing Pharmacy Education. With a passion for research and education, Beverley is currently a key member of the SafetyNET-Rx Research Team, a collaborative partnership between Dalhousie University, St. Francis Xavier University and the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists, which has successfully published several articles related to quality improvement in pharmacy practice.

"Beverley is a proven leader in our field and within the College," says Kamran Nisar, President, Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists. "Her experience and commitment to our team, as well as her understanding of the role she is about to undertake will be a significant asset in facilitating a smooth transition and moving the College forward."

Reporting to the Council of the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists, Beverley will provide strong leadership in the fulfillment of the College’s values, vision, and goals and its mandate to protect the public interest in the regulation of pharmacy practice in Nova Scotia. She will work with Council to lead the implementation of the College’s new Strategic Plan and will represent the College externally, forging collaborative relationships with key stakeholders regionally, provincially and nationally.

"It has been a privilege to work under the mentorship of the current Registrar over the past nine years," says Zwicker. "I take great pride in being a part of such a talented team, and I am excited to continue to build on the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists’ established track record of regulatory and organizational excellence, as our health care system continues to evolve to better address the needs of the public."

Beverley obtained her Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree from Dalhousie University and is currently completing her Master of Public Administration degree through Dalhousie University’s Faculty of Management.

Please join us in congratulating Beverley on her appointment as Registrar.