



Dr. Maryam Pezeshki

As a candidate for Council, I offer extensive experience from my roles as a dentist, clinical manager, and Director of the Oral Health Division, with a strong focus on safeguarding the public interest. My time on the College's Patient Relations Committee has strengthened my dedication to transparency, fairness, and accountability—values integral to the College's mission of public protection.

In my career, I have developed strong leadership, analytical, and decision-making skills, consistently applying a strategic approach to maintaining high standards of care. My background in navigating complex healthcare environments and understanding regulatory requirements equips me to contribute effectively to the governance of Ontario's dentistry profession. My recognition of the crucial link between oral health and overall health underscores my ability to address the diverse needs of the community.

As an immigrant, my experiences have afforded me valuable insights into the importance of inclusivity and equity in healthcare. I have actively advocated for culturally competent care, including expanding dental services to underserved populations, such as Indigenous communities and long-term care homes. My commitment to public health has been driven by ensuring all individuals, irrespective of their background or circumstances, have access to essential healthcare services.

I am dedicated to fostering a Council culture that champions equity, diversity, and inclusion, ensuring decisions are made with integrity and a profound understanding of public needs. My experience in managing diverse teams and my commitment to creating inclusive environments position me well to guide the profession through contemporary challenges, always prioritizing the public's best interests.

My unwavering commitment to public protection and promoting a culture of diversity and inclusion will enable me to serve effectively on Council. I am confident that my background, skills, and dedication align with the College's vision and core competencies, supporting decisions that uphold the trust and well-being of the public.