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Dear CPSO Policy Department:

Thank you for the invitation to provide feedback on the CPSO *Close a Medical Practice* Policy.

We feel that this policy provides clear guidance. For example, the definitions were clear and having explanations at the beginning is useful. We also felt that the inclusion of a draft letter (appendix a) is particularly helpful.

In the course of reviewing this policy, we did identify a few suggestions that the College may want to consider.

- It could be a good idea to include a sample letter for each different cause of leaving a practice (retirement, resignation, relocation, et cetera) so members can ensure they use appropriate and clear language.
- It may be helpful, under the "Facilitating Access to Prescription Medication" section to include suggestions on how to ensure proper continuity of care for individuals on opioids.
- It may be worthwhile having a section/link for rule physicians, as there are often no other physician in communities to transfer care to.
- More info regarding how to deal with transferring care of complex patients (lines 140-142) would be helpful.

We do, as always, appreciate being included in the CPSO's consultative process.