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## **CPSA cancels practice permit of Dr. Brianne Hudson**

**Edmonton, AB** – A CPSA Hearing Tribunal has ordered the cancellation of the practice permit and registration of Dr. Brianne Hudson, a family physician from Grande Prairie.

In January 2023, Dr. Hudson was found guilty of sexual abuse under the *Health Professions Act* (HPA) after engaging in a sexual relationship with a vulnerable patient between August 2019 and December 2019. Dr. Hudson was also found guilty of providing CPSA with false information during her 2020 annual renewal, claiming she had not engaged in a sexual or inappropriate personal relationship with a patient that had not been previously reported to CPSA. Dr. Hudson was subsequently suspended from practice, pending the determination of sanction.

After reconvening to consider submissions on sanction, the Hearing Tribunal ordered the cancellation of Dr. Hudson's practice permit and registration, as required under section 82 of the HPA for a physician who is found guilty of sexual abuse of a patient.

The Tribunal also fined Dr. Hudson \$5,000 for providing CPSA with false information during her annual renewal and ordered that she be responsible for paying two-thirds of the total cost of the investigation and hearing, to a maximum of \$90,000, payable in equal installments over a period of five years.

### **Resources:**

[CPSA Hearing Tribunal decision on sanction \(December 2023\)](#)

[CPSA media release \(Jan. 13, 2023\)](#)

[CPSA Hearing Tribunal decision on merits \(January 2023\)](#)

[An Act to Protect Patients](#)

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