## **Terms of Reference – Constitution and Bylaws Committee**

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## **Brief Description**

The CCMG operates under its constitution and bylaws, and these at times need interpretation or revision. The Constitution and Bylaws committee undertakes these functions, and considers matters of a legal nature for the College.

## Mandate

The mandate of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee of the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists is:

- 1. To receive, evaluate and provide opinions to the Board and members concerning constitutional and by-laws matters;
- 2. To prepare, on request from the Board, draft amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws;
- 3. With the consent of the Board, to consult legal guidance if matters requiring legal expertise arise related to the Constitution and By-Laws of the College.

## **Composition and Tenure**

- The Committee shall consist of 7 members, including representation from the Board.
- The normal term of membership shall be 3 years renewable once.
- Appointment of the Chair of the Committee will be by the Board of Directors of the College, on the recommendation of the Committee at least 6 months prior to the anticipated turnover.
- The normal term for appointment as Chair of the Committee shall be 3 years.