College of Paramedics of Nova Scotia

Consent Reprimand

DAVISON, KEVIN

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CPNS Registration Number: 29868

On April 6, 2022, the Investigation Committee of the College of Paramedics of Nova Scotia (CPNS) ordered, pursuant to section 67(6)(a)(i) of the *Paramedics Regulations*, and with the consent of Mr. Davison, that he receive a reprimand for engaging in inappropriate communication, including on social media, regarding the COVID pandemic and related issues.

Throughout the summer and fall of 2021, Mr. Davison engaged in communication on social media and in other public forums which included misleading, inaccurate or inflammatory comments regarding the COVID pandemic, vaccinations, public health measures, and related issues. In making these comments, Mr. Davison used his status as a paramedic to promote his views. Based on the available information, the Committee was satisfied that Mr. Davison breached the *Code of Ethics* and the *Standards of Practice* related to, *inter alia*: communicating respectfully with others; maintaining good character and reputation; committing to action that prioritizes the health and safety of the public; and, being accountable for the accuracy and interpretation of evidence derived from research.

The Committee determined that under these circumstances, Mr. Davison's breach of the *Code* of *Ethics* and *Standards of Practice* was disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional, and that pursuant to s. 67(4)(g) of the *Regulations*, there is sufficient evidence that, if proven, would constitute professional misconduct and/or conduct unbecoming. The Committee therefore determined that a reprimand was the appropriate outcome in this situation.

On June 21, 2022, Mr. Davison consented to the reprimand.