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Dear Mr. MacKinnon,

As a regulated health professional under the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Practitioners of British Columbia (CTCMA), I am writing to submit feedback on the proposed name of the College into which my profession, TCM and Acupuncture, will be amalgamated.

The name that is currently being proposed, the “College of Complementary Health Professionals” does not accurately reflect the nature of the health care professions that this new college will regulate. A more modern, clearly defined and appropriate name is:

“**The College of Integrative Health Care Professionals”**

Although TCM and Acupuncture are complementary modalities to conventional allopathic medicine, they take a multi-systems, whole-person approach to diagnosis and treatment. All four of the health professions that will be regulated by the new “C4” college take this approach. They are being used more closely alongside conventional medical care. Therefore, Integrative Health Care is a more accurate characterization of the type of health care we provide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Signed,

[YOUR NAME]

[YOUR TITLE]

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