

College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

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Discipline Summary Jun Yang (Toronto, ON) September 16, 2025

Decision

On September 16, 2025, the Ontario Massage Therapists Discipline Tribunal (Tribunal) found that Mr. Yang committed the following acts of professional misconduct:

- contravening a standard of practice of the profession or a published standard of the College, or failing to maintain the standard of practice of the profession, in particular Communication/Public Health Standard 14: Client Health Record and Guide to Record Keeping Requirements;
- 2. failing to keep records as required;
- 3. falsifying a record relating to the member's practice;
- 4. signing or issuing, in the member's professional capacity, a document that the member knows contains a false or misleading statement; and
- 5. engaging in conduct or performing an act relevant to the practice of the profession that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional.

Mr. Yang did not create health records or maintain financial records for many clients. This conduct spanned multiple years and practice locations. The findings extended to Mr. Yang's billing practices. Mr. Yang issued or allowed clinics to issue massage therapy receipts for treatments he did not provide. When investigators for the insurance companies asked him to confirm information contained on those claims, he gave them false information.

Penalty and Costs

The Tribunal made the following order on penalty and costs:

 Mr. Yang must appear before the panel to be reprimanded, with the fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand to appear on the public register of the College;

- 2. The Tribunal directs the Registrar to:
 - a. suspend Mr. Yang's Certificate of Registration for 10 months, starting September 16, 2025;
 - b. place the following terms, conditions and limitations on Mr. Yang's Certificate of Registration, effective September 16, 2025;
 - i. Within 10 months of September 16, 2025, Mr. Yang must:
 - successfully complete, at his own expense, individualized instruction in professional ethics to the satisfaction of the College, with an instructor acceptable to the College. The instructor shall provide a summative report to the College including their conclusion about whether Mr. Yang successfully completed the instruction;
 - 2. successfully complete, at his own expense, the College's record-keeping e-workshop; and
 - successfully complete up to 3 compliance audits related to his billing and record-keeping practices within 2 years following Mr. Yang's return to practice and at his expense, with each compliance audit being no more than \$500.00.
- 3. Mr. Yang must pay the College costs in the amount of \$5,852 by October 16, 2025.

The complete decision and reasons will be available online from the <u>Canadian Legal Information</u> Institute (CanLII).

Reprimand Delivered to Mr. Yang

The following reprimand was delivered by a panel of the Tribunal:

Mr. Yang, the panel would like to acknowledge your cooperation in this process, which has lessened the burden of time and resources on the College and the profession by avoiding the need for a contested hearing. However, your conduct was unacceptable and undermines public trust in the profession.

You issued receipts for treatments you did not perform. You verified these treatments when questioned by insurance companies. You did not keep your registration number protected, pre-signed receipts in your name and allowed others to issue them for treatments you did not perform. By allowing unregistered persons to issue receipts in your name, you not only deceived the clients and the insurance companies, but you also put the public at risk. Additionally, you did not keep treatment or financial records for

many clients, further showing disregard for the requirements set out in the standards of practice.

The panel would like to remind you that practising as a Registered Massage Therapist is a privilege and not a right. The suspension and the remedial courses are an opportunity for you to reflect on your actions, renew your understanding of professional requirements and recommit to your professional obligations. The panel expects that you have learned from this experience and will not appear before us in the future.