



To Whom It May Concern,

19th December 2025

I am writing on behalf of the Association of Cooperative Counselling Therapists of Canada (ACCT), a professional counselling association and federally incorporated Canadian organization, registered in British Columbia under registration number CP-2188. ACCT is a recognized member of the Federation of Associations for Counselling Therapists in British Columbia (FACT-BC).

We are reaching out to request that you review ACCT's qualifications and consider adding our association to your list of approved professional counselling organizations whose members' services are eligible for coverage under your benefits plans.

As you may be aware, British Columbia currently does not have a provincially legislated regulatory body for counselling therapists. In the absence of such regulation, we understand that benefit providers often rely on the definition of "Practitioner" as set out in their standard benefits contracts. To that end, we respectfully submit that ACCT fulfills the criteria typically required of professional associations, including:

- Establishing and enforcing standards of professional competence
- Maintaining a code of ethics and standards of conduct for its members
- Requiring members to adhere to a clearly defined scope of practice

Our website, www.acctcounsellor.com, provides access to detailed information about our standards of practice, ethical guidelines, scope of practice, and professional discipline process. Upon request, we would be pleased to provide a direct link for verifying the registration status of current ACCT members.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at **1-844-369-2228** or **info@acctcounsellor.com**. I would be happy to discuss this further and provide any documentation you may require.

Warm regards,

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