



March 29, 2016

Sent via Email: [REDACTED]

Dr. Michelle Cohen, MD, CCFP

Dear Dr. Cohen:

**Re: Complaint Against Dr. Tracey Tannis**

This is to acknowledge your letter dated March 28, 2016 received in our office by email on the same date.

Your letter alleges that Dr. Tracey Tannis failed to meet the expected standard of care in relation to the care of Ezekiel Stephan and in relation to the sale of natural health products. This matter is being considered as a complaint in accordance with s. 54 of the *Health Professions Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. H-7, and will be processed accordingly.

I have determined that your complaint will be investigated pursuant to section 55(2)(d) of the *Health Professions Act*. I am the Complaints Director for the College and I will be investigating this matter.

I will be reviewing your letter of March 28, 2016 and gathering information about Dr. Tannis' involvement in this matter. It appears you have already provided all of the information of which you are aware in relation to this matter but you may be contacted for further information as the investigation progresses. Once the investigation has been completed, I will then review the information gathered, and in accordance with s. 66(3) of the *Health Professions Act*, may either dismiss the complaint or refer the matter to the Hearings Director for a hearing before the Hearing Tribunal. As a complainant you will be notified of the outcome of the investigation.

Please note that under the *Health Professions Act*, complaints and investigations are confidential. Until a matter is referred to a hearing the College will not disclose whether a complaint has been received or whether a regulated member of the College is under investigation. If a member's conduct is referred to a hearing, that information as well as the hearing will be accessible to the public.

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Kristen Tanaka  
Complaints Director  
College of Naturopathic Doctors of Alberta