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* KPU references have been replaced with standard statements for broader use.
* Layout and language changes have been made in line with the [BCcampus’ style guide](https://bccampus.ca/bccampus-editorial-guidelines-for-tone-voice-and-style/).
* Description of CC licences have been revised to reflect definitions cited in the [Self-Publishing Guide](https://opentextbc.ca/selfpublishguide/back-matter/appendix-1/).

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