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PEI College of Occupational Therapists Newsletter



News from the Registrar:

- **Fee Increase**
- **Renewal dates**
- **Continuing Education Guidelines**
- **Update on Education Modules**
- **PEI Statistics**

It's hard to believe that we are approaching our first full year as a College! While it's not been without a few challenges, we now have policies and processes to guide the mandate of the College which is "Protection of the Public"; all of the documents are available on the website at www.peiot.org.

Fee Increase

Bottom line, annual expenses (financial review or audit, director's & officer's insurance, registrar wages, participation in national meetings/activities, continuing competency modules, etc.) are currently more than revenues (registrations). After thoughtful analysis, the Council has determined that to maintain the operations of the organization - fees must be increased by \$50 to a total of \$350 for 2019-2020 and by an additional \$50 for a total of \$400 for the 2020-2021 year. This is a net increase of 33% over the two fiscal years.

Renewal dates

Renewal on the online HMS database will **open February 18th and close March 15th**. Any renewals received **after midnight March 15th** will have a **late fee of \$75** applied. If you have any questions, please contact the Registrar at hkcutcliffe@gmail.com or call 902-626-8323.

Continuing Education Guidelines

There are additional guidelines to assist the Registrar and Registration Committee to deem the appropriateness of annual submissions for the required continuing education credits. These are on the website (http://www.peiot.org/sitefiles/Documents/policies-and-guidelines/Continuing-Education-Hours-Policy_2018.pdf) and there is also a "Sign in" sheet for workshop/in-service attendees and/or presenters. Please read this new information to ensure you submit the required materials.

Update on Education Modules:

The College is collaborating with colleagues in Newfoundland/Labrador and Nova Scotia to develop education modules. We hope to have one on "Code of Ethics" available before April 2019 and anticipate

having one on “Documentation” by 2020. All registrants will be required to complete the modules as part of the College Continuing Competency program.

PEI Statistics

Data has been submitted annually since 2006 to the Canadian Institute of Health Information to enable comparisons year to year and between professions on 20+ elements e.g. education, age, gender, place of employment, etc. Looking at the past 5 years here is some of the information derived from the data we gather as a regulatory organization:

Element	Details	2014	%	2018	%	PEI only '18	
Total Registrants		58		73		66	
Gender	Female	54	93%	64	88%	58	88%
	Male	4	7%	9	12%	8	12%
Employed in OT (on leave)		57 (0)	98%	70 (2)	96%	64 (2)	97%
Age Range	20-30	9	16%	15	21%	15	23%
	30-40	15	26%	17	23%	16	24%
	40-50	19	33%	22	30%	19	29%
	50-60	10	17%	16	22%	13	20%
	60+	5	8%	3	4%	3	4%
Initial Education in OT	Diploma	5	9%	2	3%	2	3%
	Baccalaureate	37	64%	43	59%	36	55%
	Masters	16	27%	28	38%	28	42%
University of Graduation	Dalhousie	34	59%	46	63%	44	67%
	Western	9	16%	9	12%	7	11%
Permanent Employees		42	72%	54	74%	54	82%
Full Time Employees		32	55%	42	58%	39	59%
Part Time Employees		25	43%	30	41%	27	41%
Position	Direct Service Provider	52	88%	64	88%	58	88%
	Professional Leader/Coord	2	3%	4	6%	5	8%
Years Since Graduation	0-10	15	29%	26	40%	26	39%
	11-20	17	33%	16	24%	16	24%
	21-30	11	22%	16	24%	16	24%
	31+	8	16%	8	12%	8	13%

NOTES:

* In 2018 we had 73 OTs registered to practice; 7 of these live off-island (4 in NS, 2 in NB and 1 in ON).

**The last two columns in the above table reflect data for OTs who live and work on PEI.

The average age of an OT living and working on PEI in 2018 is 40.9 years. There are currently 10 OTs aged 55 and older (15% of OTs living and working on PEI).

It is important to remember to update your information on the database as soon as there is a change to either your personal (marital status, contact information, etc.), or employment (title if employer, type of employment, hours of employment, etc.) details.