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To Whom It May Concern,

As President, on behalf of Therapeutic Recreation Ontario (TRO), I would like to highlight TRO's strategic priorities, explain the provincial registration process for Therapeutic Recreation (TR) in Ontario (R/TRO) and share with you how TRO can assist your organization in seeking the most qualified Therapeutic Recreation professionals.

Therapeutic Recreation Ontario (TRO) is a professional membership organization supporting Therapeutic Recreation professionals across the province of Ontario. TRO is dedicated to guiding, supporting, educating and advocating for its members by providing direction and advancing the profession. TRO enables the Therapeutic Recreation practitioner to deliver quality professional services and protect the rights of individuals across diverse delivery settings. For more information, please visit our website at: <https://trontario.org>.

The registration (R/TRO) designation is currently a voluntary credential that demonstrates a level of excellence within the field of Therapeutic Recreation. As the profession continues to advance and grow, the R/TRO credential will ensure applicable academic preparation and appropriate work experience in Therapeutic Recreation. Individuals achieve the R/TRO designation by demonstrating competence in four categories: Therapeutic Recreation experience, formal education, professional affiliation and professional contributions. Practitioners submit a portfolio to a review panel and points are awarded if information shared meets the criteria. Should you or a practitioner at your facility want more information on this process, please visit: <https://trontario.org/r-tro>.

What is R/TRO?

- Members become registered as an R/TRO if they demonstrate a minimum standard in four categories (education, experience, professional affiliations, professional contributions) demonstrating professional competence
- The maintenance process for the R/TRO designation ensures professionals are keeping current with issues/trends through continued learning

Why hire R/TRO?

- Ensures Therapeutic Recreation professionals have the appropriate

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- educational background and experience to practice within the province of Ontario
- Professionals are continuing to enhance skills and knowledge as a professional
- Enhances employee confidence in hiring a Therapeutic Recreation professional
- Promotes professional accountability to clients and their families
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A wonderful resource for professionals and employers alike is our website <https://trontario.org>. This website provides professionals, employers and the public with resources and education regarding Therapeutic Recreation practice in Ontario. TRO's website will assist employers to remain current in the field of Therapeutic Recreation and provide a means to advertise job postings. TRO's website has a Careers section and will advertise appropriate Therapeutic Recreation opportunities to it's members, ensuring employers are reaching a qualified group of individuals. For a charge of \$50.00, your organization could have their Therapeutic Recreation positions posted on our website, as well as advertising on TRO's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/TROntario>. For more information or to post Therapeutic Recreation job opportunities please contact members@trontario.org.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of our profession.

Sincerely,

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