



FAIRNESS COMMISSIONER

COMMISSAIRE À L'ÉQUITÉ

Newsletter - September 2022

NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



The **National Day of Truth and Reconciliation** is this Friday, September 30. This will be observed across Turtle Island. The establishment of this day of action is in response to the “Calls to Action” contained in the report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada and commemorates the tragic legacy of residential schools in Canada. This date coincides with **Orange Shirt Day**, whose commemoration began in 2013 and involves wearing orange shirts to honour Indigenous children forced to leave their families to attend residential schools.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Office of the Fairness Commissioner (OFC) acknowledges that the land we are situated on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

A Transformational Year for Fair Registration Practices



The OFC is pleased to announce that our latest annual report has been published on our website.

This annual report covers the period from April 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022. During this time, the OFC embarked on several important initiatives designed to achieve better outcomes for applicants and to solidify our role as a modern regulator.

These efforts were achieved during a time of significant change and uncertainty as professional regulators and applicants alike continued to address the challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over this period, our office devoted a substantial amount of time in working with the provincial government to develop several important legislative amendments to *the Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act, 2006* (FARPACKTA). These amendments will invigorate a legislative framework that has been unable to satisfactorily address a number of persistent registration challenges for internationally trained applicants.

For more details and to view the entire report, please click on [OFC Annual Report 2021-2022](#).

OFC WEBINAR

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION PRINCIPLES IN FAIR REGISTRATION PRACTICES



Join the OFC to learn how several leading regulators in Ontario have incorporated diversity, equity and inclusion principles into their registration processes.

This webinar will be an opportunity to share the initiatives that some professional regulators in Ontario have adopted to incorporate diversity, equity and inclusion principles in their registration processes.

This includes highlighting the work of:

- The Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Services Workers
- Professional Engineers Ontario
- The College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2022

Time: 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

[Click here to register!](#)

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