

ARC Alumni Special Feature 🌱 February 2019



The Next
25 Years

FREE LECTURE

Massage Therapy in Ontario

DATE

Monday,
7:00-9:00 p.m.
February 11

LOCATION

Sutherland-Chan
School, Room 4

The CMTO was called into existence with the creation of the Regulated Health Professions Act in 1991 and began operations in 1994. That means it's celebrating 25 years of regulating RMTs this year. This year also represents 100 years since the earliest regulation of massage in Ontario under the Board of Regents as nurses and reconstruction aides returned from England in 1919 with considerable experience providing therapeutic massage to soldiers injured in WW1.

So perhaps it's a good time to take the pulse of the profession and consider what we have achieved up till now. Regulation is by no means a static thing. The profession and the CMTO have grown and matured in lockstep over the last few decades. However, some recent decisions from the CMTO have stimulated considerable discussion amongst RMTs. Do these issues represent a natural progression in the evolution of the CMTO or are they a pivot in a new direction?

Massage therapy, like all health professions in Ontario, is self governed, so it's a good idea from time to time to ask ourselves what direction do we want to be headed in. Are we happy with that direction, and if not, what alternatives would we like to consider? Please join me as I review some of the recent actions of the CMTO and explore options ahead of us for massage therapy in Ontario.

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This free lecture is open to S-C alumni, faculty and current students.

There is no cost, but we have a room capacity limit of 60 people, so please contact us to reserve your space: Robert Rodbourne at 416-924-1107 ext. 19, or robert@sutherland-chan.com