

NSCP Year End Update

December 31, 2009

2010 Registration: Let me start by saying that the 2010 Registration process went off very well for the most part. As of today's date we have exactly 600 members. And we expect, a few delinquents, who have yet to register. The official list, as of January 1, 2010, was been posted to the website this afternoon, have a look and make sure your name is there; if not call Pat at the College immediately as you might be practicing without a license.

PLEASE NOTE: The software used to create the Membership List, which is then posted to the website, has a glitch in it that causes it to omit and / or incorrectly report employer information. We are working on the problem and will let you know when it has been resolved, so don't be concerned if we have an incorrect employer for you, our/your member file(s) are correct, the software is simply pointing somewhere else when it goes to find your employer. Thank-you to those who took the time to email us regarding this problem.

As is to be expected the Online Registration process uncovered a few problems that we hope to rectify before next year. We will keep you posted on the progress.

The Website: continues to provide valuable information and was well used during the 2010 registration. Recently we uploaded an article from the Alliance regarding "**Official Marks**". Official marks are words that have been registered with the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, through the federal Trade-marks Act. The Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators has the authority for the use of official marks throughout Canada for the profession that includes both practice words (e.g. physiotherapy and physical therapy) and title words (e.g. physical therapist, physiotherapist and PT). It is important to note that these official marks are intended for Public Protection and as such you as a practitioner should review this article so as to insure you use these words appropriately on signs, business cards and advertisements etc. The article can be found under the Standards, Policy, etc. tab. www.nsphysio.com

2009 has been a good year for the Board, we feel we have our finances under better control; our virtual offices are working well; the website has become a great communications tool, our registration process was for the majority of our members seamless; BUT 2010 promises to be even better. We will start the year with a thorough Committee review, continue to streamline the administrative functions with your help, and move deeper into Continuing Competency through a series of province wide sessions.

Best of all: On behalf of the Board of Directors, (Mike, Maureen, Tara, Sandra, Randall, Robert, Heather and Ann) as well as the NSCP staff (Joan and Pat) it gives me great pleasure to wish each and every one of you a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

Jeff
President, NSCP