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Dear Private Career College,

I am writing to provide you with an update on Second Career.

Second Career (SC) continues to be a success. Since June 2008, SC has helped more than 40,000 Ontarians participate in training.

Helping Ontarians get the skills they need for today's jobs is an important part of our government's Open Ontario plan. As you know, in December 2009, the province merged our short- and long-term training programs (Ontario Skills Development and Second Career). Second Career continues to provide training opportunities for clients and is a permanent program in our suite of services. Ontario's economy is changing, and we are committed to equipping Ontarians for the knowledge-based economy.

We have always monitored SC closely and responded with changes and modifications to help Ontarians with the greatest need get training for a new career.

At this time, I would like to highlight a clarification made in the SC Questions and Answers for Service Providers posted on the Employment Ontario Partners' Gateway (EOPG) on January 28, 2011:

Where a college of applied arts and technology (CAAT) may enter into a partnership or other similar type of arrangement with a private career college (PCC) to deliver a training program, the CAAT shall not pay, transfer or otherwise remunerate the PCC greater amounts than the SC PCC tuition policy applies (i.e., \$14/hour up to a maximum of \$10,000 for tuition costs, with some defined exemptions as set out in the SC Operational Guidelines).

The Q&As for Service Providers can be found at:
<http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/eopg/programs/secondcareer.html>.

For more details about the SC guidelines and other modifications, including answers to frequently asked questions, please visit <http://www.ontario.ca/secondcareer>.

If you have any other questions, please contact your local ministry office.

I appreciate your continued support and cooperation as we work to provide greater opportunities for Ontarians to receive the training they need to succeed in today's job market.

Sincerely,

Laurie LeBlanc
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