



June 8, 2010

Dear Employment Ontario Partner,

I am writing to update you on minor modifications being made to Second Career.

Second Career (SC) continues to be a success. Changes made to the evaluation process in November 2009 have contributed greatly to the success of the program. As of the end of March 2010, we have helped over 28,000 people enrol in SC training.

The 2010 Ontario Budget announced that the government will continue to provide support for unemployed Ontarians by funding an additional 30,000 unemployed workers for short-term and long-term SC training over the next two years.

The Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities continues to work with our partners to ensure that the programs and service we offer respond to the needs of Ontarians. These modifications to SC will provide greater flexibility for assessing individual applications.

Effective June 8, 2010, the suitability assessment matrix will be modified in the following areas:

- Active Job Search
- Duration of Unemployment
- Work History
- Experience: Occupational Skills

Second Career will continue to offer laid-off workers support for tuition, books, travel and other expenses to help them participate in training.

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 understand that this has been a challenging time for our Employment Ontario partners. 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,

Original signed by

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