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## Memorandum

**TO:** Bridge Training, Immigration and Settlement Stakeholders

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**RE:** Transfer of Ontario Bridge Training Program and Global Experience Ontario

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On June 29, 2018, the Ontario government announced the re-alignment of a number of ministries including the former Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI). At that time it was announced that immigration training programs would transfer from MCI to the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities (TCU) to allow for greater coordination with TCU's suite of employment training programs. Effective today, the Ontario Bridge Training Program as well as Global Experience Ontario are transferred to TCU.

While this move will have no impact on the program itself, reporting relationships at the staff level will change and as such, your point of contact will also change:

- For organizations with questions or seeking information relating to **Bridge Training**, please contact Vallimyle Premranjith at (416) 327-9811 or [Vallimyle.Premranjith@ontario.ca](mailto:Vallimyle.Premranjith@ontario.ca);
- For organizations with questions or seeking information relating to **GEO**, please contact Victoria Pensa at (416) 327-9020 or [Victoria.Pensa@ontario.ca](mailto:Victoria.Pensa@ontario.ca). In addition, the general information email address for GEO will remain the same at [geo@ontario.ca](mailto:geo@ontario.ca).

While these changes are effective immediately, the two ministries will work together over the coming weeks to ensure a smooth transition of these programs. We look forward to our continuing partnership with you in supporting internationally trained immigrants.