



CRTC Twentieth Anniversary

2010 to present

Over the past few months we've revisited the important world events of the last two decades, highlighted some of the RT profession's achievements and shared CRTC milestones of the last 20 years. In our final *Timeline Series* feature, we will look back on the period between 2010 and October 2014 – just in time to celebrate the CRTC's 20th anniversary at the INSPIREvolution Conference on November 21, 2014.

The first year in the second decade of the millennium begins with the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics. Alexandre Bilodeau won the first ever Canadian Olympic gold medal on our soil and Canada collected the most gold medals ever won by one country during the Winter games. Then federal NDP leader Jack Layton announces his cancer diagnosis to the public during this year, while Rob Ford is elected mayor of Toronto. Elsewhere in the world, there are three major earthquakes in Haiti, Chile and China (7.0, 8.8 and 7.1 magnitudes, respectively), causing widespread damage and loss of life. An Iceland volcano erupts, covering much of Europe in ash and grounding many flights. Greece suffers an economic crisis affecting many other countries in the European Union and Chilean miners trapped from an accident are rescued after spending 69 days underground. Popular series' *The Walking Dead* and *Boardwalk Empire* premier on TV and blockbusters *Inception*, *Shutter Island* and *Black Swan* hit the theatres. In Respiratory Therapy, the *Excellent Care for All Act* is passed in Ontario to support quality, evidence-based care for patients and the CRTC completes the Long-Term Ventilation Project – which is still continued today.

In 2011, a massive 9.0 magnitude earthquake off the coast of Japan causes a devastating tsunami on March 10, 2011. In the UK, a major phone hacking scandal surfaces and the Occupy Wall Street movement begins in the United States during September 2011. Apple CEO and technology guru Steve Jobs dies this year, along with North Korea's Kim Jong Il and Canada's own Jack Layton. In television, *Game of Thrones* makes a popular debut along with *Suits*, *New Girl* and *The Voice*. Action films *X-Men First Class*, *Thor* and *Immortals* come to the big screen as well as critically-acclaimed *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*. The Canadian Thoracic Society releases Home Mechanical Ventilation Guidelines this year and the CRTC sees a change in leadership with Christine Robinson retiring and current Registrar & CEO Kevin Taylor taking over. The CRTC also conducts a comprehensive *Scope of Practice Review* and participates in national labour mobility and international applicant projects as a member of the National Alliance of Respiratory Therapy Regulatory Bodies (NARTRB).

The Mayan Calendar ended in 2012, but the world did not despite much anxiety, speculation and media buzz. The Costa Concordia cruise ship ran aground and capsized in Italy, killing many and sparking a criminal trial. The 2012 Summer Olympics take place in London, England and Spain receives a billion-euro bailout amid a financial crisis. Obama is re-elected for his second term as president of the United States while the rover Curiosity lands successfully on Mars. This year marked the 200th anniversary of the war of 1812, the 60th anniversary of the CBC and the first installment of *The Hobbit* series. A great year for movies, 2012 saw the release of *Django Unchained*, *The Dark Knight Rises*, *The Avengers* and *The Hunger Games*. In the RT profession, the RTA is amended to include a Prescribed Substances regulation, enabling RTs to independently administer oxygen in certain settings. The Quality-Based Procedures (QBP) initiative is introduced in Ontario and the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV) emerges in Saudi Arabia.

In early 2013 meteorites plunged from the sky into Russia injuring hundreds and causing a lot of property damage. Later that year, Chris Hadfield makes history as the first Canadian to head the International Space Station and Justin Trudeau is elected the federal Liberal Party Leader. Beloved former South African president and international equality symbol Nelson Mandela passes away at the age of 95. Maggie Thatcher (the Iron Lady) also passes away this year, and Pope Benedict XVI resigns from his post. Other events of 2013 include the U.S. Government shutdown, super typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines and the Lac Mégantic train disaster in Quebec. *House of Cards* debuts on TV, along with *The Blacklist* and *The Michael J. Fox Show*. Movies *Frozen*, *The Wolf of Wall Street*, *American Hustle* and *12 Years a Slave* become some of the most acclaimed films of the year. At the CRTC, the Conflict of Interest regulation is completed along with the Oxygen CBPG; and the website is completely re-designed and launched in Fall 2013 to better serve our Members and stakeholders.

Although there is still time for Canada's famous cold, the year 2014 has been the hottest ever on record worldwide. The XXII Winter Olympic Games took place in Sochi, Russia despite much controversy leading up to the events. Two Malaysian Airlines have been lost this year: first Flight MH370 over the Indian Ocean and more recently MH17 over Ukraine after being shot down in a conflict zone. The current Ebola outbreak in West Africa has raged all year, with almost 10,000 cases and almost 5,000 reported deaths. It is the largest ever outbreak of the Ebola Virus Disease. Popular movies this year have included *Gone Girl*, *Fury*, *Guardians of the Galaxy* and *Edge of Tomorrow* – with the highly anticipated third installments of both *The Hobbit* and *The Hunger Games* series' expected later this year. Television debuted shows *True Detective*, *Fargo*, and *The Flash* this year as well to much acclaim and popularity. The Respiratory Therapy profession turned 50 this year, the Controlled Acts regulation was amended, and the CRTC celebrates 20 years of self-regulation in Ontario.

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2010 - 2014

- The Long-term Ventilation Project is completed: still continued today
- The *Excellent Care For All* Act is passed supporting quality, evidence-based care for all patients
- PORT online tool for Member continuing education and QA launched Fall 2010
- Christine Robinson retires as the CRTO's Registrar & CEO and is replaced by Kevin Taylor December 2011
- CRTO participates in national labour mobility project (NARTRB)
- Scope of Practice Review, May 2011
- Canadian Thoracic Society Guidelines on *Home Mechanical Ventilation* are released
- RTA is amended to include the *Prescribed Substances* regulation, enabling RTs to independently administer oxygen in certain settings
- GROW Professional Development Framework launched by CRTO
- Quality-Based Procedures (QBP) initiative introduced in Ontario
- Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV) emerges in Saudi Arabia
- RT profession turns 50
- *Controlled Acts* regulation is amended permitting RTs to do tracheostomy tube changes for patients with stomas greater and less than 24 hours old
- Professional Practice Blog launches (spring)
- CRTO celebrates 20 years of RT self-regulation in Ontario
- West African Ebola outbreak
- *Conflict of Interest* regulation completed
- *Oxygen Clinical Best Practice Guideline (CBPG)* drafted and completed
- CRTO website re-design and launch Fall 2013
- CRTO joins Twitter October 2013

2010



Television: The Walking Dead, Boardwalk Empire, Undercover Boss, Conan
Movies: Inception, The Social Network, Shutter Island, Black Swan
Events: Vancouver Winter Olympics, Haiti 7.0 earthquake, Iceland volcano erupts grounding European flights, Chile 8.8 earthquake, Greece debt crisis, Chilean miners trapped for 69 days rescued, Jack Layton announces he has cancer

2011



Television: Game of Thrones, The Voice, Suits, New Girls, Revenge
Movies: Contagion, Thor, The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo, Immortals, X-Men
Events: Massive 8.9 magnitude earthquake causes tsunami in Japan, The Arab Spring, Occupy Wall Street movement, Apple CEO Steve Jobs dies, North Korea's Kim Jong Il dies, UK hacking scandal, Jack Layton dies of cancer

2012



Television: Scandal, Anger Management, Elementary,
Movies: The Hunger Games, Django Unchained, The Dark Knight Rises, The Avengers, The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey
Events: Mayan calendar ends, Costa Concordia cruise ship capsizes in Italy, Whitney Houston dies, London Summer Olympics, Obama re-elected for second term, NHL Lockout, Sandy Hooks tragedy

2013



Television: The Blacklist, House of Cards, The Michael J. Fox Show, Sleepy Hollow
Movies: Wolf of Wallstreet, Frozen, 12 Years a Slave, American Hustle, Rush, The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug
Events: Meteorites hit in Russia, Maggie Thatcher dies, U.S Government shutdown, Nelson Mandela dies, penny discontinued, Super Typhoon Haiyan, Lac Megantic disaster

2014



Television: True Detective, Fargo, Gotham, How to Get Away With Murder, The Flash
Movies: Gone Girl, Guardians of the Galaxy, Transformers: Age of Extinction, Edge of Tomorrow, Interstellar, The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies
Events: Sochi Winter Olympics, Ukraine crisis, South Korea ferry sinks, Flight MH370 disappears, Jim Flaherty (Finance Minister) dies, Flight MH17 shot down over Ukraine, West African Ebola outbreak