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MATERNITY LEAVE

Practice FAQs

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QUESTION

I have a question regarding renewal for this year. I'm currently on maternity leave and will continue to be on this leave until December 2014. Do I have to pay the full amount of the renewal fee or could I possibly just pay a portion to be registered?

ANSWER

If you are not practising as a Respiratory Therapist in Ontario, you may consider changing your CRTO membership to Inactive. You may apply for the Inactive Certificate online as part of your 2014 registration renewal (CRTO website "Member Login" section). The Inactive Renewal fee is \$50.00.

Inactive Certificates – Conditions

According to the Registration Regulation, a Member registered with an Inactive Certificate of Registration shall not:

- a. Engage in providing direct patient care;
- b. Use his or her professional Respiratory Therapist title or designation;
- c. Supervise the practice of the profession; or
- d. Make any claim or representation to having any competence in the profession.

Like all CRTO Members, Inactive Members are required to renew their membership on an annual basis, update their contact information with the CRTO and participate in the Quality Assurance Program.

How to Return to Active Membership

To change your CRTO membership from Inactive to General or Limited, you will need to complete and submit the [Application for Reinstatement form](#), together with the applicable registration fee. The registration fee for an Inactive Member resuming active membership is pro-rated on a quarterly basis. For example, if you were to apply for reinstatement in December 2014, your registration fee would be prorated to a \$75.00 registration fee. You must await confirmation that your application for reinstatement has been approved before resuming active practice.



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Two-year Currency Requirement

If you practised within the two years of your application for reinstatement, you will meet the two-year currency requirement. However, if you remained Inactive for an extended period of time (i.e., greater than 2 years), you may be required to provide evidence to show that your knowledge and skills are current before your application for reinstatement will be approved. Some applicants may be required to take refresher courses or similar activities to regain that currency.

For additional information on the Inactive Certificate please see the [Inactive Certificate of Registration Fact Sheet](#).