

SECTION: INTRODUCTION

EXPLANATION -- WORKSHOP PURPOSE & OVERVIEW

TIME: 15 min.

LEARNING OUTCOME: Participants will understand the rationale for the workshop and its objectives.

DESCRIPTION:

- ❑ Explain the rationale behind the creation of the Workshop. Points you may wish to cover include:
 - *Each year Ontario receives more than 100,000 immigrants, half of whom are highly educated and trained. Many need to become licensed or certified in order to practice their profession in Ontario.*
 - *Government has an interest in ensuring that newcomers are able to work in their profession; this prevents unemployment and fulfills Canada's human resource needs.*
 - *Many newcomers feel they have been unable to find work in their profession because they lack Canadian experience, lack the required language skills (both sector-specific terminology and general workplace communication skills) and/or lack information on professional licensing and Canada's job market. This workshop was created to address these needs.*

- ❑ Instruct participants to open their Workbooks to **page 1**. Review the Workshop Goals with them (using the overhead provided) and outline the structure of the workshop.

- ❑ You may wish to emphasize that this workshop is not a job search workshop (although job search resources are provided).

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- ❑ The requirements for members of your occupation in Ontario.
- ❑ The legislation related to your occupation in Ontario.
- ❑ The requirements for professional registration and how to qualify for a license.
- ❑ The impact of technology on your occupation in Ontario.
- ❑ Opportunities, if any, for self-employment.
- ❑ Opportunities for networking with other members of your occupation.
- ❑ Opportunities in related occupations.

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