



April 2, 2019

Dear Employment Ontario Partners,

As we begin the new fiscal year, I am writing to officially welcome the following programs and their providers to our Employment Ontario suite of programs and services:

- Ontario Bridge Training Program; and
- Global Experience Ontario (information and referral service)

On June 29, 2018, the government announced the transfer of these programs to our ministry, both of which will ensure that clients have broader access to services. We are continuing to work closely with our colleague ministries to ensure minimal impact on program delivery during the transition of these programs to Employment Ontario.

As part of Employment Ontario, the Ontario Bridge Training Program will continue to help highly-skilled newcomers access licensure and employment in their field or related field, without duplicating previous training and education. By getting their license or certification, or connecting to their occupational sector, skilled immigrants can better access opportunities to resume their careers in Ontario.

Global Experience Ontario is an information and referral service that helps internationally trained individuals learn how to become licensed or certified to work in a non-health regulated profession or a skilled trade. Global Experience Ontario provides information to newcomers and service providers about licensing requirements, available training, financial aid and other supports.

For more information on both programs, clients can also visit the [jobs and employment page](#) on Ontario.ca.

We look forward to working with all of you to expand and improve the Employment Ontario suite of programs and services, and to better serve Ontarians who would benefit from upgrading their skills.

Sincerely,

(Original signed by)

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