



# THE THERAPEUTIC TOUCH NETWORK OF ONTARIO (TTNO)

## ACHIEVING RECOGNIZED PRACTITIONER STATUS

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### RELATIONSHIP WITH THE THERAPEUTIC TOUCH NETWORK OF ONTARIO

You must be a member in good standing. This includes paying your membership fee and continuing to do so annually.

### TO ACHIEVE RECOGNIZED PRACTITIONER (RP) STATUS

You must complete:

The Therapeutic Touch® (TT) training criteria as set by the TTNO.

Thirty-two (32) hours of continuing TT studies.

A minimum of one year's practice.

The *Practitioner Workbook*, submit it for review, and have received approval.

### Therapeutic Touch Training – Preferably with the same Recognized Teacher (RT)

1. Fundamentals of Therapeutic Touch: Foundations of Therapeutic Touch and Transpersonal Nature of Therapeutic Touch

OR

2. Basic Levels of Therapeutic Touch: Levels 1, 2 and 3. And additionally, the fundamental upgrades for both Foundations of Therapeutic Touch and Transpersonal Nature of Therapeutic Touch

### Continuing Studies

It is required that you:

1. Study with **at least one other Recognized Teacher (RT)**.
2. Complete a minimum of 32 additional hours of Therapeutic Touch training.
3. The additional hours of Therapeutic Touch training may include:
  - i. a repeat of any of the Therapeutic Touch® workshops with one or more different teachers (other than your original RT)
  - ii. a TTNO approved Therapeutic Touch workshop – please refer to the TTNO website at [www.therapeutictouchontario.org](http://www.therapeutictouchontario.org) / Continuing Education
  - iii. an event approved by the Teacher Liaison Committee as an Education Component for achieving Recognized Practitioner status.  
NOTE: Regional Teachers Days and Annual Teachers Days are excluded
  - iv. A maximum of 8 hours may be included from **ONE of either** a TTNO Professional Development Day (PDD) **or** Annual Conference which includes a practicum.
  - v. Once the Application of the Inner Processes of Therapeutic Touch® is implemented it may be counted as 16 hours of the 32 required.
4. Regular participation in a TTNO Branch practice group which includes a practicum.

5. A minimum of one year's practice of Therapeutic Touch is recommended once you have completed the required Therapeutic Touch training.

### **Practitioner Workbook**

You may purchase the *Practitioner Workbook* once you have completed the Fundamentals of Therapeutic Touch or the Basic Levels of Therapeutic Touch: Levels 1, 2 and 3. The Workbook includes a total of 75 sessions (50 unsupervised, 15 supervised, 10 received sessions) and 10 reflective journal entries.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COMPETENCY**

Many institutions now consider "membership in a governing body" of any modality essential to accepting service from one of its members, even on a volunteer basis. This is a competency issue. The institution assumes that membership in a governing body (e.g., the TTNO) guarantees an education/upgrading/requalification requirement; hence, the institution does not need to monitor practitioners, including volunteer practitioners, since the relevant governing body is doing so. Our Recognized Practitioner status fulfils that competency requirement. Annually, Recognized Practitioners are asked to complete additional training and keep active in the Therapeutic Touch community to maintain their status and competency. Recognized Practitioners must also continue to be members in good standing with the TTNO.