MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENT UPDATE

The following is important information for students enrolled in CAATE-accredited institutions in the United States and accredited institutions in Ireland.

As announced on October 1, 2019 the Canadian Athletic Therapists Association is withdrawing from the Mutual Recognition Agreement with the Board of Certification (BOC - USA) and Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland (ARTI), effective November 29, 2019.

Based on feedback since October 1, CATA is introducing a grandfathering option. Please see below:

Students currently enrolled in Accredited Institutions

Individuals currently enrolled in CAATE-accredited institutions in the United States or accredited institutions in Ireland as of October 1, 2019 are eligible to attempt the CATA National Certification Exam within 3 years of graduating from the program, provided all other requirements are met, including submitting:

- Proof of full-time enrollment, as of October 1, 2019, at a CAATE accredited institution in the U.S. or an accredited institution in Ireland
- Proof of certification in good standing with the Board of Certification (BOC) or Athletic Therapy, Rehabilitation, Ireland (ARTI)
- Official transcripts
- Proof of current First Aid and Basic Life Support, or First Responder
- Copy of registration (federal and state), if applicable
- Applicable registration fee

Current ATC or ARTI Certified Individuals:

Individuals currently holding the ATC or ARTI credential and wishing to challenge the CATA National Certification Exam have until November 29, 2019 to apply for and be approved as a CATA Temporary International Candidate. ‘Approved’ by November 29, 2019 means that you have submitted all documentation and fulfilled all necessary requirements prior to the deadline. Once approved, you will be a Temporary International Candidate and will have 12 months from the date of approval to attempt the CATA National Certification Exam.

If you have any questions, please direct them to info@athletictherapy.org.

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