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Greetings,

In 2019, the Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development (MLTSD) announced that Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) Certification Part One training would be available to be taken online using eLearning, and changes would be made to help committee members have more time to schedule and complete their training.

I'm happy to announce that, effective today, May 1, 2020, I have amended both the [Joint Health and Safety Committee Certification Program Standard](#), and the [Joint Health and Safety Committee Certification Provider Standard](#), to allow for these changes.

The amended standards now:

- Allow JHSC members to complete Part One training entirely online
- Extend the timeline for JHSC members who complete Part One training to give them 12 months to complete their Part Two training
- Remove the need for JHSC members to apply for extensions or complete Refresher after Part One

The ministry has also made changes to the [eLearning Instructional Design Guidelines](#) and the [JHSC provider application guidelines](#). Providers who want to apply to deliver Part One via eLearning should [fill out the existing application form](#) and follow the steps in the [application guidelines](#).

These standards replace the existing standards that came into force on March 1, 2016.

Providers and programs that are already CPO-approved will remain approved and training completed before May 1, 2020 will remain valid.

eLearning training is especially valuable now, while we are all forced to make changes to our daily lives and the way we work and learn. I know that many of our currently approved training providers may be ready to apply to deliver eLearning training. Please be assured that my staff will be working hard to help me get JHSC Part One eLearning training courses approved and available for all Ontarians.

Regards,

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