



ONTARIO ELECTION 2022

Now, more than ever, **physiotherapy matters** to Ontario and Ontarians.

- To **come back stronger** from the pandemic
- For a **healthy return to work** for our workforce
- To **recover** from long pandemic-delayed surgeries and procedures
- To **live healthy and safely** as independently as possible in our communities
- To **keep moving and active** at home even when home means long-term care

This election we call on all candidates to commit to act so that Ontarians have equitable, timely access to the essential services provided by physiotherapists, physiotherapy residents and assistants.

Through supporting:

- **Fair and equitable funding and compensation for physiotherapists, physiotherapy residents and assistants across sectors** to ensure critical resources, human and financial, are there for quality, evidence-based care for all Ontarians, not just those who can pay out of pocket.
- **Expanding access to pandemic business supports and grants to small and medium-sized physiotherapy clinics** hard hit by public health restrictions, loss of revenue and increased costs including those associated with prescribed personal protective equipment.
- **Strengthening the physiotherapy workforce and addressing the growing HR shortages across all practice venues** by implementing regulation changes to expedite qualified candidates to full independent practice and by finalizing the implementation of the remaining regulations to allow all physiotherapists to work up to their full clinical competencies including ordering needed laboratory tests and diagnostic imaging within scope.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

The Ontario Physiotherapy Association is the Ontario branch of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association representing more than 5700 member physiotherapists, residents, physiotherapist assistants and students in your communities.

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