Temporary Closure of HRPA Corporate Office and Yorkville Conference Centre

Dear Members & Students,

Public authorities and health officials are asking the public to help slow the spread of COVID-19. As HRPA has the infrastructure in place to continue our service delivery while staff operate remotely, we will temporarily close our Corporate Office in Toronto for a two-week period (until end of day March 27th), with any further extension to be determined closer to that date.

Please click here to see my video message.

Based on all the information available to us from health authorities, we feel this decision is in the best interest of the health and safety of our staff, and ultimately our society. We know that more communication will be forthcoming from the public health authorities, and we will communicate any further updates as necessary.

Our staff will continue to operate our phone queues, answer emails, host virtual meetings and facilitate programs by webcast where possible. We remain ready to serve and are operating through virtual and remote services with flexible timeframes ranging from 8AM – 4:30PM, Monday to Friday until March 27th.

HRPA is pleased to continue its online learning options, many which are free and CPD-qualified. Click here to discover online learning opportunities. May 2020 exams are planned to happen as per schedule, with more information to come.

HRPA recognizes that completing CPD logs by the May 31, 2020 deadline may be a concern; and have updated our Continuing Professional Development (CPD) extension policy, specifically regarding COVID-19. For registrants who may require an extension for this CPD period, you may do so by completing the Continuing Professional Development Extension Request Form. This Form must be completed and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. All extension requests must be submitted prior to the May 31, 2020 CPD deadline.

In addition to submitting the completed Extension Request Form, registrants requesting an extension to the CPD deadline must submit a completed log with the hours earned to date. For COVID-19 related extension requests, we are waiving the requirement to submit documentation in support of the request for an extension and a professional development plan outlining how the member intends to meet the outstanding CPD hours.

If you have any questions, please registrar@hrpa.ca.

Please also note that if any payments are being made to HRPA through cheques (i.e. for event registrations, membership renewals, etc.), there will be a delay in processing and applying those payments. We encourage payments to be done on-line with credit cards, when and if possible.

We are all in this together

With the ongoing developments around COVID-19, many of you have been seeking input on best practices from your peers across many of the different forums we have available to you. Given this, we have decided to move forward with the rollout of our larger online community. Here you will be able to interact with all members on anything of interest to you as an HR professional.

To join this community, click here.
We are encouraging all members to use this forum as a means to share information and communicate with each other on topics such as COVID-19. We have also compiled COVID-19 information and materials, available through our online resource centre.

The well-being of our members, volunteers, stakeholders and staff is our utmost priority, and we will continue to update you on the evolving situation. We hope that you and your families remain safe and healthy as this global health challenge continues to unfold.

Sincerely,

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