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To: [Licensing and Standards Committee](#)
Subject: Moratorium on New Licenses to Holistic Applicants Associated with 5 Holistic Associations
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This email is in reference to a letter dated April 3, 2018 by Carleton Grant, Director, Policy and Strategic Support with regards to City of Toronto moratorium on the issuance of new licences to holistic practitioner applicants associated with five professional holistic associations.

We are intimately familiar with the Canadian Examining Board of Health Care Practitioners, Examining Board of Natural Medicine Practitioners and the National Certification Board for Natural Therapies. They are "certificate mills" and have no standards whatsoever. In addition, review revealed that a single person owns at least 2 of those organizations.

We have been bombarded by certificate holders from those groups wanting to become certified under our umbrella based on those certificates. Research on those applicants revealed that they have no qualifications at all and just simply "purchased" their certificates. We reject all applications from those who hold a certificate from one of the organizations mentioned above.

We applaud the City of Toronto for the moratorium and fully support making the moratorium permanent. Those groups are so-called "bad apples" in our profession and unfortunately makes the legitimate practitioners and organizations look unprofessional and unreliable.

Feel free to email any questions that you may have.

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