

TRUTH & CONSEQUENCES

TRUTH:

On a per capita basis Saskatchewan has among the lowest number of Occupational Therapists, Respiratory Therapists and Speech Language Pathologists in Canada.

CONSEQUENCE:

- Fewer Occupational Therapists means more disabled and elderly unable to function in the community.
- Fewer Respiratory Therapists may contribute to needless deaths in our hospitals.
- Fewer Speech Language Pathologists means more stroke victims will not be provided with essential speech and language services.

TRUTH:

Saskatchewan has no training programs for Occupational Therapists, Respiratory Therapists and Speech Language Pathologists.

CONSEQUENCE:

- Our young adults train elsewhere and many don't return.

WHAT CAN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT DO?

Fund healthcare professional training programs in the province.

TRAIN THEM HERE AND THEY WILL STAY

Please express your support for in-province training to:

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