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1. Professional Chemists Sign Mobility Agreement

Professional Chemists can now transfer their professional registration between provinces across Canada. The Federation of Canada's Professional Chemists (FCPC) announced today that provincial chemists' organizations have adopted a Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate mobility of professional chemists between provinces. Professional Chemists have requirements for education and work experience. They must also adhere to a strict Code of Ethics that seeks to ensure public health and safety and to protect the environment in the work that they perform.

Through this agreement, Professional Chemists who are members of organizations established in each province will be able to move and work in other provinces. Currently there are six provincial members and two associate members of the FCPC representing over 4000 individual Professional Chemists across Canada.

Read the complete press release in English or in French..

The Memorandum of Understanding is available here.

What do this mean for the ACPS? The ACPS is working towards the professional registration of its members, through legislation that would grant exclusive use of the "P. Chem." title, along with other delegated regulatory responsibilities. Once registered, ACPS members would enjoy transferability with other Canadian jurisdictions.

2. ACPS Hosts FCPC Annual General Meeting in Saskatoon

The ACPS is proud to host the annual general meeting of the <u>Federation of Canada's Professional Chemists</u>, in Saskatoon on April 27, 2017.

The FCPC is a federation of Canadian professional chemist organizations, which advances the interests of the professional chemist as a regulated occupation in all provinces and territories by coordinating the distribution of information, facilitating discussion, and developing consensus and agreements. The APCS is a charter member of the FCPC, and has received tremendous support from our established sibling organizations, and in turn as offered support for emerging associations in other provinces.

3. Conference Announcements

Please note the following upcoming conferences of interest to the APCS membership

The LOGIC retreat: Leaders Overcoming Gender Inequality in Chemistry May 26-28, 2017. Toronto, ON.

http://www.chem.utoronto.ca/wp/womeninchemto/logic-retreat/

2nd Graduate Student Symposium: From Academia to Industry

May 3-4, 2017

Hosted by the Chemistry Graduate Students' Society, University of Saskatchewan Register at https://fluidsurveys.usask.ca/s/chemgss2017

For more information, email chem.gss@usask.ca

Please let <u>info@saskpchem.ca</u> know about any upcoming conferences / workshops / events that you would like advertised in the newsletter.

4. Membership Renewals / New Members

Membership renewals for 2017 are now due.

Membership is clearest way we can demonstrate our commitment to professional self-regulation. Membership is one of the metrics that provincial governments look to when evaluating requests for professional self-regulation.

Please login at www.saskpchem.ca, and renew today!

Want to let your colleagues know about the ACPS? Please send them a copy of our membership brochure.

5. Mark your calendar: ACPS Annual Meeting of Members

The ACPS Annual Meeting of Members will be held in the evening of Wednesday, June 21, 2017. We will have a WebEx phone in, so members from across the province can join and participate. The agenda and dial-in information will be circulated in early June.

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