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Dear Ms Ennis:

The Canadian Orthopaedic Association has reviewed your letter and we feel, as you do, that it is vitally important that anyone who participates as an Orthopedic Technologist to have taken a reasonable course and passed a written examination plus evaluation from a preceptor. We would, therefore, support your stand that Orthopedic Technologists in our facilities, working in the capacity of an Orthopedic Technician, have a two- or three-year window to join the Canadian Society for Orthopedic Technologists for further training. They should ultimately become a registered Orthopedic Technologist within your Society. Many of our COA members would be willing to act as advisors to the Canadian Society of Orthopedic Technology and act as mentors, as have Dr Ted English and Dr Richard Buckley in the past. We feel our two associations have worked extremely well together over the years and will continue to forge ahead in concert as leaders and advocates of "The Best Care" for our orthopedic patients.

I hope this answers any questions you may have. I remain

Yours sincerely

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Dr. R.K. Leighton  
Past President COA

Good Morning Dr. Leighton

Once again, thank you and your members for supporting the CSOT.

I would like to clarify the candidate examination process to become a Registered Orthopaedic Technologist.

After completing the initial criteria, a candidate must do a written examination. When the written exam is successfully completed, they will then do a comprehensive oral and practical exam. Once registered, all CSOT Registered Orthopaedic Technologists must submit on a yearly basis mandatory continuing education points to maintain their registration.

We also have a student membership category where the student is mentored by an Orthopaedic Surgeon and preceptorship is provided by a CSOT Registered Orthopaedic Technologist.

I sincerely hope this information is helpful.

Best regards,

Patricia Ennis, R.T. (Orthopaed)  
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