

Jennifer Da Ponte – Candidate Statement

My name is Jennifer Da Ponte. I graduated Sir Sandford Fleming College in 2006 and became an RMT that summer. Upon graduating, I returned to Woodstock, Ontario to venture into business on my own and started a home-based practice. I am married, and a mother of 2 little boys. Currently, I volunteer locally for clean-up days, tree planting, participant in parent council and a snack program volunteer. Previously, I had the opportunity to serve on the City of Woodstock's Committee of Adjustment for 8 years.

I was elected to the board serving 2 terms (6 years), and for the past 6 years, I've been participating as a non-board professional committee member. While serving as a professional board member and a non-board professional member. I have had the opportunity to be on every committee with the CMTO over the past 12 years. This has provided me a well-rounded perspective of the mandate and requirements of a board member, registrants, and committee members. Through my involvement with the College, I've gained the understanding and importance of public protection, and the complexities of our professions diverse work environments.

My interest in continuing my involvement with the CMTO, is to ensure that we maintain high professional standards which protect the integrity of the profession while serving the public. It is important that massage therapy remains a high quality, safe and effective healthcare profession to be proud of. I truly love being an RMT and getting to have a voice around our boards table. I want to ensure we remain current and knowledgeable so that we can continue to help clients.

Self-regulation means putting public interest, ahead of professional interests. I have the skills, experience and passion to be your committed, valuable member of the board. Please vote me as the district 6 board member.