

## Therapeutic Recreation Practicum Placement Confirmation Form

Eligibility criteria to become a Professional Member of the Alberta Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA), requires that all applicants complete a (minimum) 320 hours of therapeutic recreation practicum placement(s).

### Eligibility Criteria

- ✓ **Credit Course:** The practicum placement must be arranged through a post-secondary education institution and the student must receive course credit for the placement.
- ✓ **Preceptorship:** The student must be placed with a Recreation Therapist(s) preceptor(s) for at least 250 hours of the practicum placement. The preceptoring Recreation Therapist(s) must be on-site for at least 250 out of the 320 hours. The primary preceptoring therapist must arrange for transfer of equitable preceptorship when not available.
  - **Placements within Alberta:** The preceptoring Recreation Therapist(s) must be a current ATRA Professional Member.
  - **Placements outside of Alberta:** The preceptoring Recreation Therapist(s) must be a current professional member of their provincial therapeutic recreation association, or have current CTRS credentials.
- ✓ **Clinical:** The clinical placement must have a clinical component where the student is able to observe, learn and practice the *Essential Competencies* described in the **Competency Profile for Recreation Therapists in Alberta** (ATRA, 2012) for at least 250 hours of the clinical placement.
- ✓ **Confirmed:** The supervising Recreation Therapist must sign the Therapeutic Recreation Practicum Placement Confirmation form, declaring that the above three criteria have been met and at the completion of the clinical placement the student has demonstrated the *Essential Competencies* described in the **Competency Profile for Recreation Therapists in Alberta** (ATRA, 2012).

To fulfill the 320 hour minimum therapeutic recreation practicum placement, students may complete more than one eligible practicum placement to meet ATRA practicum requirements for Professional membership.

The primary Recreation Therapist preceptor is not obligated to sign a practicum placement confirmation form if in their clinical judgement, the student has not successfully met the practicum requirements.

Preceptors, therapeutic recreation program post-secondary institutions and students can contact ATRA's **Education Director** to discuss any aspects pertaining to therapeutic recreation practicum placements.

Please refer to the complete information and resources regarding Therapeutic Recreation Practicum Placements on the Students section of the ATRA website: <http://www.alberta-tr.org/students/practicum-placements.aspx>



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### Therapeutic Recreation Practicum Placement Confirmation Form

Applicant / Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Practicum Placement Site:	
Primary Preceptor Name:	Primary preceptor's professional TR association:  Membership #:
Post-secondary institution coordinating practicum placement:  Post-secondary therapeutic recreation program name:	
Dates of Placement	
Start Date:	End Date:
Hours Completed at Placement Site	
Clinical component hours:	Total Hours:

Initials and signatures confirm:

- a. the practicum placement **was** completed \_\_\_\_ **was not** completed \_\_\_\_ according to the *Preceptorship* and *Clinical* ATRA practicum placement eligibility criteria. Initial here: \_\_\_\_

**AND**

- b. In my clinical judgement, the applicant **demonstrated** \_\_\_\_ **did not demonstrate** \_\_\_\_ the ability to perform entry to practice *Essential Competencies* for a Recreation Therapist (ATRA, 2012). Initial here: \_\_\_\_

Supervising Recreation Therapist's Signature:	
Date:	
Applicant / Student's signature:	
Date:	