

## Code of Ethics

The purpose of this Code is to define professional integrity. All persons entering Membership with the Association shall formally agree to be bound under the following principles:

- (a) The welfare of the client shall be the primary concern of the Member.
- (b) A Member shall undertake to abide by all the laws in the Province of Saskatchewan.
- (c) A member shall provide services to their clients in a caring and respectful manner. The member will provide services fairly and without discrimination in recognition of the fundamental human rights.
- (d) A Member shall recognize that the interest and welfare of the client are paramount.
- (e) Member shall be responsible and accountable to society and shall conduct him/herself in a manner that maintains high standards.
- (f) A Member shall seek assistance from a colleague or refer a client to another qualified health professional in any situation where the therapist may feel that he/she lacks the necessary knowledge or competence to administer treatment. The Member recognizes the value and responsibility of working in cooperation with other healthcare professionals to ensure the best outcome for the patient.
- (g) A Member shall honour the confidentiality of the relationship between massage therapist and client.
- (h) A Member shall act in a professional manner in all dealings with clients, colleagues, other health professions and the public.
- (i) A Member shall refrain from making any statements or claims misrepresenting the therapeutic benefits of their treatment.
- (j) A Member shall refrain from enticing clients from the care of a colleague and to abstain from any action or statement that might bring a colleague, organization or the Association into disrepute.
- (k) Where a Member is aware and has proof of misconduct, breach of trust, violation or transgression of this Code of Ethics or Standards of Practice, it is his/her duty to bring such knowledge and written proof to the attention of the Board of the Association.
- (l) All Members shall abide by the Membership requirements and Standards of Practice to remain in good standing with the Association.
- (m) A member shall refrain from carrying out any consultation, assessment or treatment of a child under the age of 18 years except in the presence or with the consent of a parent or guardian or other responsible adult approved by the parent or guardian.
- (n) All Members advertising must be in good taste and adhere to the MTAS advertising and marketing guidelines.