

Dear Certificate Holder:

At the November 29, 2022 Board Meeting, subsequent to public notice which CAMTC posted on its website on August 30, 2022, and taking into consideration public comments, the Board approved a fee increase of \$50 a year to be Certified.

Fees for Recertifications that expire on or after April 1, 2023, will be at the new rate, as will Certification fees for new applications received on or after April 1, 2023. The new fee reflects legislative guidelines and is the first increase since June of 2018. Please go here for the current fee schedule: <a href="http://www.camtc.org/camtc-fee-schedule/">www.camtc.org/camtc-fee-schedule/</a>

CAMTC subscribes strongly to transparency and encourages review by policymakers, the public, schools, and stakeholders, both statewide and local, and our Certificate Holders. Each year at a public meeting the CAMTC Board determines Strategic Priorities for the following year and a proposed budget is reviewed and approved. The Priorities for 2023 can be found on page 129 of the November Board packet: www.camtc.org/media/2230/2022-1129-camtc-board-packet-final.pdf

In the Board packet you will also find the complete independent fee study, which is the result of an exhaustive review of CAMTC, performed by a third party. The study delineates the work that we do on a daily basis statewide and determines the fees needed to cover operating expenses. Operating expenses include the costs of providing timely customer service, swift application processing so our Certificate Holders can work, implementing CAMTC's legislative mandate to protect the public (which includes Certificate Holders), elevating the profession as an essential service with both health care and relaxation modalities, intervening with cities and counties who are imposing onerous regulations, and implementing the Strategic Priorities. Please review the document so you can ascertain for yourself the depth and scope of

our mission.

For less than \$3 a week, a CAMTC Certificate will continue to replace the need for a local permit in each jurisdiction where you provide massage for compensation. Before massage professionals were able to choose the benefits of CAMTC Certification, they were generally required to pay for a local permit to provide massage for compensation in each and every city/county where they worked. The average price paid for two-years of local permitting was \$482 per location. Massage professionals were also required to comply with annual invasive medical exams oftentimes checking for venereal disease, were subject to adult entertainment regulations, and had to meet the varied education and background check requirements of each city/county.

CAMTC strives to have a seat at the table in both local and State conversations so that Certificate Holders can have a voice in policy decisions that impact you. We do not operate without intensive oversight – and this includes legislative hearings in the past two years that resulted in the legislature extending CAMTC's statute for four years and a signature by the Governor affirming their support. It is crucial that the public trusts massage businesses in their communities, as you provide a much-needed healthcare service.

CAMTC is playing a key role in helping our profession flourish in a healthy social and economic environment.

**Team CAMTC** 

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