

COPEC Accreditation Update

October 2009

- Dawn Burnett was appointed Project Manager, Support Personnel Education Accreditation Program, August 1, 2009.
- An extensive review of background materials related to accreditation, support personnel and support personnel education programs was carried out.
- A partnership framework has been defined between ACCPAP and CAOT.
- Standards development is the primary initial focus. A standards development implementation plan with timeframes has been outlined. Terms of Reference have been developed for the Support Personnel Standards Development Working Group and selection of members is underway.
- The first draft of the accreditation standards is presently being developed with projected completion by December 2010. The Standards will undergo review and validation during the winter months of 2010.
- A preliminary accreditation program implementation plan has been outlined.
- Accreditation policies and procedures development will take place once the first draft of the standards is completed.

D. Burnett, October 19, 2009