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**CURRICULUM VITAE  
OF  
IRENE ROCCO**

**WORK EXPERIENCE:**

**REHABILITATION CONSULTANT**

- Independent Rehabilitation Management Inc. (1997- present)
- Rehabilitation Services of Canada (1989-1997)

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

- Member of the Vocational Rehabilitation Association of Canada (VRA) – formally The Canadian Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (CARP) since 1991
- Member of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers (R.S.S.W.) since 2000 (beginning of the College)
- Member of the Canadian Assessment, Vocational Evaluation and Work Adjustment Society (CAVEWAS)

**EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION:**

- Obtained the Certified Vocational Professional (CVP) Designation in 2011
- Obtained the Certified Vocational Specialist (CVS) Designation in 2011
- Successfully completed the 'Certificate in Testing' for the General Aptitude Test Battery (GATB) in 2011
- Obtained Registered Vocational Professional (RVP) Designation in 2006
- Obtained Registered Rehabilitation Professional (R.R.P.) Designation in 2002 (formerly Accredited Rehabilitation Professional Certification (A.R.P.) and Accredited Rehabilitation Worker (A.R.W.))
- Obtained Canadian Certified Rehabilitation Counsellor (C.C.R.C.) Designation in 1992
- Obtained Registered Community Support Specialist (RCSS) Designation in 2005

- Obtained Social Services Diploma in 1980
- Completed “Life Skills Coaches Training” through YMCA

### **SECONDARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN:**

- Finnish

### **SPECIALIZED TRAINING – VOCATIONAL:**

#### **Courses Completed:**

- Vocational Services and Substance Abuse
- Vocational Evaluation
- Evaluating Employment Potential
- Disability & Employment
- Occupational Trends
- Ergonomic Applications
- Ergonomics in Job Accommodation
- Return to Work
- After 50: Second Careers
- National Occupational Classification Training (NOC)

#### **Seminars Attended:**

- The Good, The Bad and the Ugly of Vocational Assessments
- Successful & Enduring Return to Work After Injury
- Return to Work Pain Management
- Work Site Wellness
- Fair Work Practices
- Workplace Violence Identification & Management
- Vocational Action Plans

### **SPECIALIZED TRAINING – MEDICAL:**

#### **Courses Completed:**

- Skilled Empathy
- Osteoporosis
- Medical Aspects of Disability
- Home Health Services
- Difficulty Personality Disorders
- Counselling Difficult Clients
- Life Care Plans – Brain Injury
- Traumatic Brain Injuries

**Seminars Attended:**

- Innovations In Managing Acquired Brain Injury – Part 1 & 2
- Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Head Injury
- Re-integration of the Brain Injured
- Brains on the Mend
- Counseling Clients with Acquired Brain Injuries – Research and Practice Issues
- Treatment & Prevention of Chronic Pain
- New Perspectives In Chronic Pain
- Substance Misuse and the Older Adult
- Functional Assessments
- In Defence of Assessments
- Regulation of Rehabilitation Professionals
- Critical Appraisals of IME's
- Northwestern Ontario Occupational Health Nurses' Association:
  - Role of the Family Physician in Disability Management
  - Low Back Pain Management
  - Understanding & Managing Anger
  - Work, Life & Balance
  - Privacy Act
  - Diabetes Thunder Bay Services Update
  - Introduction to Mental Health Works Program
  - Chronic Pain - Why does it occur?
  - Chronic Pain Management
  - Taiji Program Foster Health and Relaxation

**ETHICS:****Courses Completed:**

- Health Care Ethics
- Mental Health Ethics
- Counselling Ethics

**Seminars Attended:**

- Utilization of an Ethical Decision Making Model for Rehabilitation Professionals