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# Training to National Standards

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# System Overview

- Apprenticeship
  - Employers
  - Government
    - Industry Training Authority
      - Training Providers
  - Apprentice
- Foundation (entry level trades training)
  - Equivalent to 1st year apprenticeship
  - High-school programs
  - Post-secondary students

# State of BC

- Industry Training Organizations (ITO)
  - Update / maintain program standards
- Leader in trades training
- Skills Canada
- Challenges
  - Funding
    - Delivery
      - Provincial vs. National
    - Curriculum development
    - Equipment

# Questions

- How do we achieve a true national standard ?
- How do we maintain it?
- How do we prevent erosion of the standard?
- Why do we fall short ?