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Dear Colleagues:

The **Coalition of National Massage Therapy Organizations (Coalition)** is pleased to announce the publication of the **Entry-Level Analysis Project**.

The project work group collected and analyzed survey data and information from massage profession projects and documents to make an informed recommendation of core content and training hours. The group's members used accepted and successful instructional design methods to create a first-draft blueprint of education that was then revised based on feedback from the profession. The detailed educational blueprint was used to tabulate hours based on stated objectives for each subtopic, leading to topic, subject, and curriculum totals, and an informed recommendation of a minimum of 625 training hours.

*The Core: Entry-Level Analysis Project Report* (the Final Report) and *The Core: Entry-Level Massage Education Blueprint* (the Blueprint) are now available to download from [www.elapmassage.org](http://www.elapmassage.org).

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