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The Road to Licensure: Initial Thoughts

The announcement of the Road to Licensure by AAPTI may have raised questions and concerns from certified, registered interpreters, and/or certified translators. While AAPTI aims to provide some clarity and answer questions in a general sense, it is important to note that this plan is still in its early stages of development.

AAPTI recognizes that the process of creating a licensure program is a collaborative effort and will work closely with stakeholders in our profession and Language Access advocates to develop a plan that is fair, practical, and beneficial for all parties involved. This plan will likely take time to develop, and AAPTI will continue to update the profession as progress is made.

It is important to note that the Road to Licensure is not intended to invalidate or diminish the value of current certifications, registrations, or qualifications held by interpreters or translators. Instead, it aims to establish a standard set of criteria for licensure that will ensure consistent quality and competency across the profession.

Overall, AAPTI is committed to working towards a transparent and inclusive process that benefits the profession as a whole and welcomes input and feedback from all stakeholders.