## Module 10

## **Grounds of Discrimination**

Marital Status: Marital status is defined in section 10(1) of the Code as the status of being married, single, widowed, divorced or separated and includes the status of living with a person in a conjugal relationship outside of marriage (that is, in a "common-law relationship"). The courts have clearly stated that equal protections apply to common-law, same-sex and opposite-sex relationships.