



Comité d'action du premier ministre  
sur la prévention de la violence familia

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### **1) Child Protection Act Review, Public Consultations starting February 3**

As defined in the *Child Protection Act & Regulations* the Minister of Family and Human Services is required to appoint an advisory committee to review the *Act*. The purpose of the review is to report on the operation and administration of the *Act* and to determine if the principles and purposes of the *Act* are being achieved.

The intent of the review is to seek public input and report on the administration of the Act and ensure that its principles and purpose are being achieved. The committee will provide a report to the Minister of Family and Human Services within six months. This report will enable government to consider the need for legislative and policy changes.

The public will have a number of opportunities to provide input. The Advisory Committee will be accepting written submissions by mail or email and will host a number of public meetings across the province.

Public sessions will be hosted by the committee in a number of island communities as follows:

#### **Date and Location**

February 3, 2016 7pm – 9pm **Hernewood Intermediate School, Bloomfield**  
(February 4, 2016 - Storm date)

February 10, 2016 7pm – 9pm **Athena Consolidated School, Summerside**  
(Bilingual French/English consultation) (February 11, 2016 - Storm date)

February 17, 2016 7pm – 9pm **Spring Park School, Charlottetown**  
(February 22, 2016 - Storm date)

February 24, 2016 7pm – 9pm **Montague High School, Montague**  
(February 25, 2016 - Storm date)

March 2, 2016 7pm – 9pm **Souris Regional School, Souris**  
(March 3, 2016 - Storm date)

More information about the review and the various ways to participate is available at:  
[www.gov.pe.ca/sss/childprotectionact](http://www.gov.pe.ca/sss/childprotectionact).

News release

<http://www.gov.pe.ca/sss/index.php3?number=news&newsnumber=10575&dept=&lang=E>

## **2) Study Group on Canada's Truth & Reconciliation Commission Report, Starting February 4**

Read and discuss the summary of the final report of the Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC): *Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future*. Join with others to reflect on the history and legacy of residential schools in Canada and on the TRC's 94 Calls to Action. The PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women and the Aboriginal Women's Association of PEI will host a series of 8 sessions to be **held at the Confederation Centre Public Library, from 12:00 - 1:00pm, beginning on Thursday, February 4th, 2015** (see attached flyer). Each session will focus on a section of the summary report, and will have a facilitator to moderate conversation and a counsellor for those who require assistance. **Open to everyone. Attend one, several, or all sessions.** Contact [info@peistatusofwomen.ca](mailto:info@peistatusofwomen.ca) or 902-368-4510.

- The print report is available for download at: <http://nctr.ca/reports.php>
- [READ THE TRC: VIDEO READING PROJECT \(#ReadTheTRCReport\)](#)
- [Listen on the Youtube channel](#)
- A CBC article about the audio/video version: [Audio/Video - TRC Report](#)

### 3) 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sweetheart Dinner for Anderson House, February 13

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sweetheart Dinner for Anderson House will be held on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-9:30pm at Red Shores Racetrack and Casino, Charlottetown (see attached flyer).

Kicking off Family Violence Prevention Week (Feb 14 - 20, 2016), this delightful event celebrates relationships: partners, family, friends, co-workers and community. The evening features a gourmet 3-course buffet dinner, simulcast horse racing and “Lucky You!” draws for packages including a trip for 2 from WestJet!

Tickets are \$60 each (the cost to shelter a woman or child for one night at Anderson House) and include a \$25 tax receipt. All proceeds benefit Anderson House, an emergency shelter for women and children who are in need of safety because of violence in their lives. For tickets contact Lindsay at 902-213-5183 or [lindsay@fvps.ca](mailto:lindsay@fvps.ca).

### 4) PEI Family Violence Prevention Week (Feb 14-20), Deadline for *Schedule of Events* Feb 3

**February 3, 12pm** is the **deadline for submission** of event descriptions for the version of the Family Violence Prevention Week *Schedule of Events* that will be distributed through various email networks.

**To submit an event description**, please provide the following information to Stephanie MacPhail [sbmacphail@gov.pe.ca](mailto:sbmacphail@gov.pe.ca) /fax 894-0242:

1. Title of activity/event
2. Date
3. Time
4. Location
5. Brief description including proposed audience (e.g., everyone, families, children, professionals, etc) and registration information (if applicable)

Late submissions will be accepted but will be posted on the online schedule only.

**For updates on Family Violence Prevention Week 2016 to go:**

(Eng) [www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/2016campaign](http://www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/2016campaign)

(Fr) [www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/2016campagne](http://www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/2016campagne)

The Schedule of Events and other information on the Week will be distributed through email networks in the coming days.

**If you would like copies of Family Violence Prevention resources** and campaign materials for distribution in your workplace and/or community please email [pacadmin@gov.pe.ca](mailto:pacadmin@gov.pe.ca) or call 902-368-6712.

### 5) Canadian Nurses Association Ethics in Practice: Violence and What You Can Do

This installment of the Ethics in Practice series teaches nurses about violence and what they can do about it, to help ensure safety and well-being. The module provides information on

actions against violence and includes five scenarios with review of potential courses of action in each situation.

Link: <https://www.cna-aiic.ca/en/on-the-issues/best-nursing/nursing-ethics/ethics-in-practice/violence-and-what-you-can-do>

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## REMINDER DETAILS

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### 1) PAC Youth Storyboard Showcase 2016, *DEADLINE February 19*

The Premier's Action Committee on Family Violence Prevention Youth Engagement Working Group invites teachers and youth-serving organizations across Prince Edward Island to engage youth to share their vision of healthy relationships to be displayed in an online Showcase and for a chance to win \$250 to use in their classroom or organization (see Bilingual Flyer attached).

#### **Theme: What is a healthy relationship?**

We are all involved in many different relationships.

Relationships can include:

- Friendships (including those on social media)
- Dating relationships
- Family relationships
- Sports teams, choirs, girl guides/boy scouts, and other youth groups
- Student/teacher interactions

Two submissions will be chosen to receive prizes (one from grades 4-6, one from grades 7-9) based on relevance to theme, attractiveness of design and creativity.

For more information including the Showcase Entry form go to

En: <http://stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/2016storyboard>

Fr: <http://www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca/scenarimage2016>

**Deadline:** Entries must be received by mail or email by **February 19, 2016** with a signed and completed Showcase Entry Form.

### 2) *SAVE THE DATE - CONFERENCE Impacts of Family Violence on the Workplace, Feb 24*

Learn how to recognize the warning signs, practise communication strategies, implement a Family Violence policy, and develop a safety procedure. Presentations by: PEI Family Violence Prevention Services, RCMP, Victim Services, Provincial Family Violence Prevention Coordinator. (see attached flyer)

Open to employers, employees and others interested in workplace safety and family violence prevention.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 24, 2016

**Time:** 8:30am-1:30pm

**Location:** Rodd Charlottetown (75 Kent Street)

**To register:** call PEI Family Violence Prevention Services at 902-894-3354 or email [lindsay@fvps.ca](mailto:lindsay@fvps.ca). There is no cost to attend.

Sponsored by PEI Family Violence Prevention Services in partnership with the Fergusson Foundation, Premier’s Action Committee on Family Violence Prevention, City of Charlottetown’s Mayor’s Purple Ribbon Task Force, and the Workers Compensation Board.

**3) PEI FVPS 2015-16 Financial Campaign**

We invite you to join the 2015/16 Annual Financial Campaign for PEI Family Violence Prevention Services (PEI FVPS). This year’s campaign will focus on funding for youth programming **It’s All About YOUTH** and **SAVE (Students Against Violence Everywhere)** (see flyer attached for details). Early education around healthy relationships is fundamental in breaking the cycle of violence. Investing in these important programs will help ensure a safe and healthy future for our youth. Each year we deliver our youth programs to over 500 students in junior and senior high schools across the province. ***We are over half way to our goal of \$35,000. Help us reach it so that we can continue to provide these important programs across Prince Edward Island.***

**Tax deductible donations can be made** securely online at [www.fvps.ca](http://www.fvps.ca), by mail at PO Box 964, Charlottetown PE C1A 7M4, by phone at 902-894-3354 or in person (we’d love to see you!). **We are grateful for donations at any level. Please help spread the word.**

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***THANK YOU!***

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**Premier’s Action Committee on  
Family Violence Prevention Vision Statement**

**A society where all individuals are safe, respected and valued; where any form of violence is unacceptable; and where children, women, and men have opportunities to reach their full potential and contribute to the overall well-being of all families and communities.**

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