



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

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REMINDERS:

none

ANNOUNCEMENT DETAILS

1) SAVE THE DATE: PEI Family Violence Prevention Week is February 9-15, 2014

The PAC Social Marketing Working Group and Youth Engagement Working Group plans for 2014 Family Violence Prevention Week are being finalized. As in previous years, the schedule of events will be posted on the PAC website. The Week will start with an Interfaith Service on February 9th at 6:30pm at Credit Union Place in Summerside. February 12th is Wear Purple Day and the 5th Annual Charlottetown Walk in Silence for Victims of Family Violence. Other walks are also planned across the Island. See schedule for details.

Please share information on 2014 Family Violence Prevention Week with members of your organization, help us spread the word through social media and encourage your colleagues, friends and family members to participate with you in one or more of the many activities.

If your organization is planning an event please send the details as soon as possible to Stephanie MacPhail (sbmacphail@gov.pe.ca) for inclusion in the schedule of events.

Full details of 2014 Family Violence Prevention Week will be distributed later in January.

2) Mini-Grants for municipalities for Family Violence Prevention Week *deadline extended to January 10*

PAC is offering \$100 mini-grants to Island municipalities to support any event or activity during 2014 Family Violence Prevention Week that is consistent with the PAC vision statement, contained at the end every PAC E-Bulletin. (Simple application form attached).

Your imagination can be your guide about what would be the best fit for your municipality! Examples include an evening information session, a brown bag lunch with guest speaker or facilitated discussion of a video such as a Ted Talk, a display of family violence resources, a community walk, and so on. The funding might help with printing, refreshments, venue, or other expenses.

Encourage your municipality to apply!

The **application deadline** has been extended to 5:00pm on **10 January, 2014**, with decisions communicated very shortly thereafter.

For more information

If you have any questions about the application form or want to discuss your ideas for an activity, please contact Dr. Wendy Verhoek-Oftedahl at wverhoekoftedahl@gov.pe.ca, or (902) 368-6712.

3) CLIA to launch new Youth Justice Information Site

With recent changes to Canada's *Youth Criminal Justice Act*, and constant shifts in the way that people access on-line information, it seems like the perfect time to develop a youth-focused, interactive, mobile-friendly website that young Islanders can trust as their source for accurate and up-to-date answers to their legal questions. In January, the Community Legal Information Association of PEI [www.cliapei.ca] will be going live with their new Youth site. The site's URL will be circulated once the site is open to the public. Stay tuned and stay informed!

4) New Date CLIA's FREE Course *The Best Interests of the Child in Custody and Access*, January 29

Community Legal Information Association (CLIA) is offering a FREE two- part course for people who are dealing with a custody and access dispute.

Clients learn:

- What you can expect if you have to go to court to resolve a custody and access dispute.
- How the 'best interests of the children' can be met.
- Ways to resolve your dispute outside of court.

This course is led by a volunteer family law lawyer, and a CLIA staff person. Please pass this information along to friends, family or clients who are experiencing difficulties coming to a custody and access agreement. Professionals who work with clients in this area are also welcome.

Wednesday, January 29th, 6:00-9:00 pm presented by Jacinta Gallant, Jacinta Gallant Law

For more information and to register, please contact:

Community Legal Information Association of PEI

892-0853 or 1-800-240-9798 or bestinterests@cliapei.ca

THANK YOU & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**The 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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