



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

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#### **1) CLIA's 30th Anniversary Annual General Meeting, June 16**

CLIA's 30th Anniversary Annual General Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 16th, 2015, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. **Location:** The Haviland Club, 2 Haviland Street, Charlottetown, C1A 3S6 Please come and enjoy good company, networking, snacks, and support CLIA!

## 2) PEI Group Viewing Site Announced for Federal-Provincial-Territorial Status of Women Forum: Sexual Violence Knowledge Exchange, June 17

You are invited to attend a group viewing of the webcast: Sexual Violence Knowledge Exchange. This Federal-Provincial-Territorial Status of Women Forum is a dynamic and timely event that will bring together leading minds from across the country to raise awareness and understanding of sexual violence in the Canadian context.

Panel discussions will explore:

- Issues related to disclosing and reporting sexual violence
- Sexual violence and youth
- Perspectives from anti-violence communities

**When:** Wednesday, June 17, 2015 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Atlantic time)

**Where:** 5th floor boardroom, Jones Building 11 Kent St., Charlottetown.

**To Register to attend the group viewing:** Contact Cheryl Doucette at [cheryldoucette@ihis.org](mailto:cheryldoucette@ihis.org) 902-368-4818 **by June 12**. There is no cost to attend. Nutrition breaks and a simple lunch will be provided. Please indicate dietary restrictions. Reservations for individual webcast viewing may also be available (see attached).

## 3) PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women Equality Report Card Release, June 24

Media and public are invited to attend the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women Equality Report Card Release

**When:** 10:30am on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Where:** Cornwall Townhall, 39 Lowther Drive, Cornwall

Hear how the PEI government has fared in advancing women's equality and diversity for Islanders over the past two years. All are welcome to the launch.

**For more information:** [info@peistatusofwomen.ca](mailto:info@peistatusofwomen.ca)

## 4) PEI Family Violence Prevention Services Annual General Meeting, June 24

PEI Family Violence Prevention Services will be holding its 2014/15 Annual General Meeting

**When:** Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

**Where:** Rodd Charlottetown Hotel (Kent Room – Upstairs).

Everyone is welcome. There will be a special presentation by Michelle Buttery and Jaime Griffin outlining our new program "It's All About YOUth". Please note that paying a \$5 membership fee will entitle you to vote on any motions.

**For more information contact** Lindsay at [lindsay@fvps.ca](mailto:lindsay@fvps.ca).

## 5) PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre Annual General Meeting, June 24

The PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre Annual General Meeting

**When:** Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** Haviland Club, 2 Haviland Street, Charlottetown.

Refreshments will be served.

**RSVP** by e-mailing [admin@peirsac.org](mailto:admin@peirsac.org) or calling 902-566-1864. (see flyer attached)

## 6) East Prince Women's Information Centre (EPWIC) Survey for The CONNECT Project

EPWIC is conducting a survey as part of a 2-year project to prevent and eliminate cyberviolence against girls and young women funded by Status of Women Canada. EPWIC is coordinating the project. The Province of PEI, Interministerial Women's Secretariat, City of Summerside, Women's Network PEI, Holland College, Family Violence Prevention PEI, Girl Guides of PEI, Timeless Technologies and Sweet Spot Marketing, are partners.

This survey is being conducted as part of the needs assessment.

This project will engage PEI youth and their communities to prevent and eliminate cyberviolence. It will work in collaboration with community stakeholders to increase their ability to identify and respond to the specific needs of young women and girls, and a community online network will be created to share information and strategies. In partnership with community stakeholders, young women and girls will carry out strategies to prevent and eliminate this form of gender-based violence in our community. We are engaging male youth also.

Cyberviolence: Any form of violence that brings harm to an individual deliberately using electronic means; including, but not limited to: online luring, stalking, harassment, abuse, trafficking, sexual exploitation and bullying.

**Survey link:** <http://www.epwic.ca/projects/cyberviolence>

Please share the link as we are wanting as many people as possible to answer the survey.

**There are 3 different surveys, please click on the one that best suits you:** 1) youth 2) parent/guardian or 3) community / service provider - they can be anonymous - takes less than 5 minutes.

If anyone would like to speak to us privately about this, they can call Andy Lou Somers at: 902-436-9856 / 902-439-7268 (cell). We appreciate you taking the time to fill this out. Your answers are very important.

### **For more information contact:**

Andy Lou Somers ( [andyloou@eastlink.ca](mailto:andyloou@eastlink.ca) / 902-436-9856);

Nancy Beth Guptill ( [nancybeth@sweetspotmarketingcanada.ca](mailto:nancybeth@sweetspotmarketingcanada.ca) / 724-3330)

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## REMINDER DETAILS

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### 1) ASI 2015 Symposium on Child and Youth Mental Health, August 17-19

Registration is now open for an Atlantic Canadian event which will bring together individuals from across the region with an interest in child and youth mental health.

The goal of the two-day Symposium: ***Investing in Child and Youth Mental Health – Mobilizing Atlantic Canadians for a Positive Future*** is to learn about mental health in Atlantic Canada, build networks and identify strategies for enhancing programs and policies in schools, communities and provinces. The event is designed for everyone who promotes

positive mental health, including researchers, policy-makers and advocates, as well as parents, caregivers, and youth.

The Symposium will feature speakers, presentations and interactive workshops on:

- Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) – key to mental health promotion & well-being
- Parent, Youth and Community Engagement
- Integrated Service Delivery (School based)
- Experiences of and access to services
- Collective impact to improve mental health of children and youth

The preliminary program is available at [www.asi-iea.ca](http://www.asi-iea.ca). More details about speakers, subsidies and early bird rates (before May 31) coming soon!

The Symposium on Child and Youth Mental Health is a collaborative event organized by the Atlantic Summer Institute on Healthy and Safe Communities (ASI), in partnership with two key Canadian projects: Socially and Emotionally Aware Kids (SEAK) and Atlantic Canada Children's Effective Service Strategies in Mental Health (ACCESS-MH).

**To register, visit [www.asi-iea.ca](http://www.asi-iea.ca).**

**Early Bird registration rates will be available until May 31, 2015.**

Contact the Atlantic Summer Institute on Healthy and Safe Communities for more information about the Symposium: [info@asi-iea.ca](mailto:info@asi-iea.ca); (902) 894-3399.

## **2) Public Health Agency of Canada Call for Proposals to address domestic violence and child abuse**

The Public Health Agency of Canada is pleased to invite eligible organizations to submit applications to establish and advance community-based and multi-sectoral projects to address the health needs of victims of domestic violence and child abuse and those at risk of these forms of violence.

For details see <http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/sfv-avf/proposal-proposition/index-eng.php>  
News release: <http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/sfv-avf/proposal-proposition/index-eng.php>

This Call for Proposals is a two-step process. The first step is the submission of a Letter of Intent. Applicants whose Letters of Intent are successful will be invited to submit a full proposal. There is no deadline for Letters of Intent. They are welcomed on a continuous basis.

The Public Health Agency of Canada is committed to fostering collaborations that will increase the reach and impact of our investments. As appropriate, we work with applicants who have been successful in the Letter of Intent phase to turn good ideas into great collaborations that benefit more Canadians.

## **3) MEN MATTER, new group programs for men who have experienced sexual abuse**

MEN MATTER offers group programs for men who have experienced sexual abuse. The groups are free and confidential, and are led by experienced professionals. The PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre (PEIRSAC) is administering the program and the Catholic Family

Services Bureau (CFSB) is the point of contact for men wishing to participate. For more information call Chris at the CFSB at 902-894-3515 or Sigrid at PEIRSAC at 902-566-1864.

#### 4) Be A Foster Parent

Foster parents of all ages are needed across Prince Edward Island. Foster parents play an important role in our community by providing care to children in the legal custody and guardianship of the Director of Child Protection, on a short or long term basis.

Foster parents may be from many different backgrounds and life experiences. Some are married with families of their own and some are single; some live in common law relationships or with same sex partners. There are foster parents who own their own homes and foster parents who rent.

What all foster parents have in common is a commitment to caring for children who are coping with a very difficult time in their young lives. Children need foster parents who are committed to caring for them.

The role of a foster parent can be demanding and challenging however the reward of making a positive and lasting impact in the life of a child makes it all worthwhile.

Foster parents change lives one child at a time. They believe in investing in the future of our children. Please consider making this very important investment.

To learn more, visit our website [www.beafosterparent.ca](http://www.beafosterparent.ca)  
Email [beafosterparent@gov.pe.ca](mailto:beafosterparent@gov.pe.ca) or call 902-368-5330

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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.**

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