

FSC NATIONAL NEWS

Newsletter for members of Family Service Canada



Message from the Board

I wanted to thank all of you that participated in the first COL Café May 14th. It was a great way to connect and share experiences particularly given these uncertain times. For those of you unable to make it, not to worry, we will be hosting one every two months and will ensure you get the invite. As well, in response to your feedback at COL 2019, we created a LinkedIn group as an easy way to share information, stay connected, and support each other between conferences.

The group is ready; we're just waiting for you.

Joining is easy, visit <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13834605/>. You can also log in to LinkedIn and search for Family Service Canada Members' Lounge. Either way, you'll need to click the blue "Request to join" button.

The group is open to executive directors and second-in-command leaders of Family Service Canada member organizations.

The board has also been working with Heard Communications to create an updated Family Service Canada website.

You won't see any changes yet. So far, our focus has been on developing a strategy and ensuring the site we're planning will meet the needs of members as well as potential members and sponsors. We recently began content development, and the site's visual design will come after that.

When it's complete, the new site will provide a more flexible platform for sharing information about family service across Canada, highlighting events like the annual conference, and posting resources for members.

We'll provide more updates as the project progresses.

Take good care everyone,

Pauline Smale
Board Chair

CEO Spotlight: Nancy MacDonald

Nancy MacDonald is Executive Director of Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia, Chair of Family Service Atlantic, and current Vice Chair on the Family Service Canada Board of Directors. Nancy is passionate about system change and enhancement, in the goal of improved service delivery to families. She also believes strongly that we are all better together as a National network and collaboration is a cornerstone of her work.



Positive Workplace Practices Series

The webinar hosted by [FSEAP](#), a FSC product, introduces participants to Positive Workplace Practices that promote wellbeing, engagement, and thriving among employee teams as we begin to return to an evolved workplace environment.

As a result of COVID-19, many workplaces will continue to face challenges. This four-session series will support business leaders, managers, and members of workplace teams in the development of their re-opening plans focused on workplace health and wellbeing.

Presenters Gregg Taylor and Dr. Bill Morrison will cover mental fitness practices, team resiliency practices, positive leadership practices, and measuring and building positive workplace environments.

Dates:

Session 1: Tuesday, June 2

Session 2: Tuesday, June 9

Session 3: Tuesday, June 16

Session 4: Tuesday, June 23

All sessions run from 1:30 PM to 2:15 PM Eastern Time.

There is no cost to attend the Positive Workplace Practices webinar series. We hope you enjoy them.

Register today by visiting fseap.ca/webinars.

We want to know what is happening in your agency. Let us know about your successes, new initiatives, important changes in staffing, anniversaries, etc. We will include them in future issues of our newsletter.

