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NWTAC E-News Flash

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NWTAC -NEWS AND COVID UPDATES

ARCTIC DEVELOPMENT EXPO

**ARCTIC
DEVELOPMENT
VIRTUAL EXPO**



arctic development expo
northern realities • northern solutions

June 15-16, 2021

The Arctic Development Expo welcomes all researchers, Indigenous leaders, circumpolar Governments, scientists, industry experts and passionate individuals to join us virtually for 2021.

The Arctic Development Expo typically takes place in Inuvik, Northwest Territories, Canada as we strive to make knowledgeable decisions to enhance circumpolar life and create innovative solutions for our northern realities. We look to develop the Arctic through sustainable means and will do so by concentrating on the following four themes: Natural & Renewable Resources, Climate and Energy Innovations, Indigenous Leadership and Circumpolar Governance and Knowledge Economy.

[Click here to register](#)

INCOME ASSISTANCE ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS IN FLOOD ZONES

Income Assistance access
for residents in flood zones



DEHCHO REGION RESIDENTS

If you are affected by flooding and are currently receiving Income Assistance or are experiencing financial difficulties you can contact an ECE Client Services Officer:

Residents of Fort Providence, Fort Simpson or Jean Marie River: Call the Fort Providence CSO: 867-699-4431

Residents of Fort Liar, Nahanni Butte, Samba k'e and Wrigley: Call the Fort Liard CSO: 867-770-4104 - extension 121

FIRESMART

WHEN IT COMES TO PREPARING FOR THE THREAT OF WILDFIRE, WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY

Wildfires are a natural part of Northwest Territories wildland ecosystems. Without wildfire, the landscape loses its diversity. Wildfires recycle nutrients, help plants reproduce and create a mosaic of vegetation that provides habitat for a variety of wildlife.

By choosing to extend our lifestyles and communities further into forested areas, we become more exposed to the danger of wildfire. Living where wildfires can occur puts your home or cabin at risk; however, it is possible to live safely with this natural event.

How FireSmart® can help

FireSmart recommendations reduce the risk of wildfire to your property, community and neighbourhood, and help firefighters to defend your home.

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) provides FireSmart information and workshops to help communities, industry and homeowners reduce the threat of wildfire.



[Watch "ENR Fire Prevention Doing Your Part" video here](#)

[Download a copy of the Homeowners Manual here](#)

FUNDING



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CANADA RECOVERY SICKNESS BENEFIT(CRSB)

Income support to employed & self-employed individuals unable to work because they are sick or need to self-isolate due to COVID-19, or have underlying health conditions and are at greater risk of getting COVID-19

The Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit is available for one year, from September 27, 2020 to September 25, 2021.

The benefit provides \$500 per week for up to a maximum of two weeks, for workers who:

- are unable to work for at least 50% of the week because they contracted COVID-19,
- are self-isolated for reasons related to COVID-19, or
- have underlying conditions, are undergoing treatments or have contracted other sicknesses that, in the opinion of a medical practitioner, nurse practitioner, person in authority, government or public health authority would make them more susceptible to COVID-19.
- NWT employees who do not have sick leave coverage with their employers qualify for the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit.

[Click here for more information](#)

ARCTIC INSPIRATION PRIZE

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2021 ARCTIC INSPIRATION PRIZE

ARCTIC
INSPIRATION PRIZE



PRIX INSPIRATION
ARCTIQUE

The 2021 Arctic Inspiration Prize Call for Nominations is open! This year marks the 10th anniversary of the AIP.

In 2021, up to 10 teams can win prize money in one of three prize categories to launch initiatives that bring about the changes they want to see in their communities.

This year's nomination deadline is October 13, 2021 at 11:59pm PT.

PARTICIPACTION CHALLENGE



WHO WILL BE CANADA'S MOST ACTIVE MUNICIPALITY?

This June, we are encouraging your municipality to participate in the [ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge](#). From **June 1 – 30**, you can actively support your municipality's quest to be Canada's Most Active Community and **win \$100,000** for local physical activity initiatives.

Encourage your residents to [download the \(FREE\) ParticipACTION app](#) and track their activity in June. Everyone is counted towards your municipality's score.

Click [here](#) for more information

CANADIAN NETWORK FOR THE PREVENTION OF ELDER ABUSE

DEVELOPING A ROADMAP FOR ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION IN CANADA



CNPEA is building a pan Canadian strategy to increase the prevention of elder abuse.

Our goal: Developing a roadmap with multiple entry points, which will allow each of us, at an individual, organizational, community, and government level to play a role in preventing elder abuse, now and for the generations to come.

Change is possible. We all have a role to play. Are you ready?

[Watch the video here](#)

CORONAVIRUS TOOLKIT

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) RESOURCES

The NWTAC has created a new toolkit filled with resources to help our

Remember to keep your distance



communities deal with the Coronavirus.

Go to the link below to get updated information from the Federal and Territorial governments as well as educational resources to keep your community healthy.

COVID-19 POSTERS & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS AVAILABLE FOR USE IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA

The toolkit now contains fresh new posters and

social media posts for you to use around your community and on your social media pages. Have a look!

[Link to Coronavirus Toolkit](#)

SCIENCE EXPEDITION



**NORTHERN
YOUTH LEADERSHIP**
inspiring young leaders

**NORTHERN YOUTH
LEADERSHIP (NYL)
SCIENCE EXPEDITION**

NYL is offering three separate science expeditions this summer for NWT youth of all genders aged 13-17! These expeditions are run in partnership with Nature United and Arctic Research Foundation (ARF) and will take place aboard ARF's vessel, the Nahidik. They are an opportunity for youth to meet new people and explore NWT waterways, while learning from world-class scientists and job-shadowing the ship's crew. The three trips are planned to run over the following dates:

Mackenzie River/Dehcho Science Expedition: July 22-30, 2021

Great Slave Lake Expedition #1: September 1-9, 2021

Great Slave Lake Expedition #2: September 20-28, 2021

Please visit <http://www.northernyouth.ca/programs/> to see our camp poster for this summer's science expedition programming.

You can also find out more about our camps on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/NorthernYouthLeadership/>.

**Registration for science expeditions is open until
Friday June 25th, 2021 at 5pm.**

NYL uses an open application format and all applications will be reviewed by a selection committee. Unfortunately, NYL camps are often oversubscribed and submitting an application does not guarantee participation. All families will be contacted about their application after July 1st, 2021.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

NWT SUPPORTED LIVING REVIEW ADVISORY GROUP



Are you a youth/adult living with a disability, or a caregiver of a youth/ adult living with a disability? Do you want to ensure your experience benefits others?

The Department of Health and Social Services invites interested members of the public to apply to be a representative on the NWT Supported Living Review Advisory Group (SL Advisory Group).

The purpose of this group is to provide advice from lived experience to the Steering Committee during the NWT Supported Living Review. The SL Advisory Group will be comprised of 6 to 10 members who are appointed by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services. Membership will aim to have representation from persons with diverse experiences and perspectives across the NWT. Members will be appointed for the duration of the Supported Living Review Project, which is anticipated to begin in Spring 2021 and to conclude in March 2022. Frequency of meetings will be dependent on need for feedback to support this review. It is estimated that 5- 8 meetings will take place.

Areas where feedback from this committee will be asked include:

- How best to communicate with people, organizations and communities who are impacted by disabilities;
- Provide feedback towards the initial engagement for this review;
- Assist in planning a wider second engagement strategy that will collect more information, experiences and perspectives of NWT residents impacted by disability;
- Answering important questions as they arise to ensure that this review is informed by the voices of NWT residents who have disabilities or care for persons with disabilities;
- Provide feedback related to the results of this review and the recommendations that this review offers.

Advisory Group members of the SL Advisory Group will receive an honorarium in accordance with the rates set out in the GNWT Financial Administration Manual for an Advisory Board. Members will only be paid for days they meet.

Requirements

- Youth/ adult with experience living with a disability OR a caregiver supporting a youth/adult with a disability who is utilizing supported living services or would benefit from supported living services in the future;

- Interest in providing feedback and information that will inform the Supported Living Review;
- Willingness to work as part of a team;
- Knowledge of their home communities and supported living services and supports within their community;
- Willingness and flexibility to meet with SL Advisory Group or project team via telephone, webinar, or other method as needed.
- Resident of the NWT for at least 12 months;
- Prepared to sign a statement of ethics and confidentiality related to their duties.

Application deadline: June 16, 2021

Please complete the following Application Form and email it to SL_Advisory_Group@gov.nt.ca (link sends e-mail)

[NWT Supported Living Advisory Group Application Form](#)

COVID-19

Emerging Wisely 2021
Step by Step Together

Current Situation | **Moving Forward** | **All Restrictions Lifted**

Current Situation
 • **Leisure Travel:** Not essential and only where travel is not recommended. Leisure travel into the territory is not permitted. Exceptions considered.
 • **Self-Isolation:** Fully vaccinated 8 days self-isolation with negative test. 8-14 days self-isolation for all other household members self-isolate. Exceptions considered.
 • **Indoor Gatherings:** Up to 25 people/business follow approved plans. Household can have up to 10 people with a maximum of 10 household members.
 • **Outdoor Gatherings:** Up to 50 people.
 • **High-risk outdoor gatherings:** Potentially Celebrations of An. COVID approval required.
 • **High-risk indoor gatherings:** Live singing, and instrument performances, indoor dining, banquets, weddings, and indoor winter sports. COVID approval required.

Moving Forward
 • **Self-Isolation Requirements Decrease:** Fully vaccinated, and non-incident essential workers and travellers with no symptoms.
 • **Indoor Gatherings up to 200 People:** This means most restaurants, pubs, clubs and other businesses are at normal capacity. They can go to family houses, have people over, have multiple get-togethers, and parties.
 • **Outdoor Gatherings up to 200 People:** Approval required for high-risk events and high-risk gatherings of more than 200 people.
 • **Leisure Travel Restrictions Eased:** Leisure travel into the NWT is permitted. No quarantine and self-isolation requirements are needed.
 • **Self-Isolation Requirements Decrease:** Fully vaccinated, no self-isolation required.
 • **International travellers:** must follow federal quarantine regulations.
 • **Partly vaccinated:** Must self-isolate for 14 days and follow federal quarantine regulations.
 • **Full vaccination plans required:** for control testing and rapid response implementation.
 • **Partly vaccinated:** Day 1 and Day 14 tests required for travellers going directly to a small community. Day 1 and Day 14 tests required for non-essential workers.
 • **NWT residents:** receive vaccine boost.

All Restrictions Lifted
 • **Leisure Travel:** Fully vaccinated.
 • **Self-Isolation:** Fully vaccinated.
 • **Outdoor gatherings:** Together we will emerge ready to manage potential risks without restrictions.

Vaccination Rates & Cases

Region	Early June	Early July	Early Summer	Late Summer/Early Fall	Mid to Late Fall
Northwest Territories	66% - 75% Partial	66% - 75% Full	75% Full	75% Full	75% Full (12 years+)
Canada	66% - 75% Partial	66% - 75% Full	<1,000 Daily New Cases*	<1,000 Daily New Cases*	<1,000 Daily New Cases* and 66% - 75% Full

*Based on average

EMERGING WISELY 2021

The step-by-step guide to easing public health restrictions and moving forward from COVID-19, is available now.

[Get your copy here](#)

HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS DISASTER COMPENSATION

APPLY FOR HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS DISASTER COMPENSATION



In the event that a traditional harvester in the Northwest Territories suffers loss or damage to equipment or assets because of a natural disaster, compensation is available.

To qualify for assistance, harvesters must possess a General Hunting Licence and/or be a land claim beneficiary, be actively engaged in renewable resource harvesting activities, and prove that their harvesting provides for at least 25% of their gross annual income. The maximum compensation allowable under this program is \$4500.

This program does not compensate for losses incurred from wildland fire and cannot be used to cover losses arising from poor judgment, carelessness or acts of vandalism.

NWTAC'S FEATURED VIDEO



NWTAC VIDEOS

We are on our way!
As Restrictions are reduced, we are moving towards a strong finish NWT

[Watch the video here](#)

ADDICTIONS RECOVERY PEER SUPPORT FUND



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WHO CAN APPLY?

- Community-based or Indigenous Organizations
- Community-based groups or community members working in partnership with an eligible community-based or Indigenous Organization

How to apply?

- To apply for the Addictions Recovery Peer Support Fund, you will need to complete and submit the Addictions Recovery Peer Support Fund Application Form.

Funding is available for two purposes.

Training Requirements for an Addictions Recovery Peer Support Program

- Total available funds annually: \$100,000
- Available for Multi-Year Projects: No

Basic Requirements for an Addictions Recovery Peer Support Group and/or Activity

- Total available funds annually: \$180,000
- Available for Multi-Year Projects: No

[Application for Addiction Recovery Peer Support Fund](#)

COMMUNITY EFFICENCY FUNDING



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OF CANADIAN
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MUNICIPALITÉS

**HOMEOWNERS
MAKE THEIR
PROPERTIES MORE
AFFORDABLE AND**

ENERGY EFFICIENT

With the Government of Canada, FCM's Green Municipal Fund launched its newest funding call from our Community Efficiency Financing initiative to support Canadian municipalities and partners in the delivery of home-energy upgrade financing programs. Municipalities can access grants, loans and credit enhancement to create or scale up local programs to help homeowners upgrade the energy performance of their homes.

We can help you reach your environmental goals, bring jobs to your community and build better lives.

[Apply now!](#)

More from the NWTAC.....

**Supportive
Member
of the Month**



[NWTAC Tool-Kits](#)

**Community Election
Schedule**

Check out our Website!

