



**Carrier Sekani
Family
Services**

Welcome to CSFS Health e-News: June 2008

Seniors Month~Stroke Awareness Month~Aboriginal Day~International Day against Drug trafficking and Illicit traffickin~Fathers Day

Staff Changes in Health:

- The ARP program is happy to welcome aboard 2 new additions counselors, Kirby West from Takla, and Carrie Kinny from Burns Lake. We look forward to working with them. They will start their duties June 9, 2008.
- The Nursing team is pleased to announce we have 3 nurses returning to CSFS this summer to cover Burns Lake/Wet'suwet'en & Saikuz/Yekooche.

Job Opportunities with CSFS:

- Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program/Pregnancy Outreach Worker & Aboriginal Supported Child Development Worker. Please contact Shari Burrows, ECD Manager @ 567-2900 or toll free 1-866-567-2333 for full Posting. Please send resumes to Shari. Deadline for resumes June 25, 2008.
- ARP Program is seeking a Nadleh Whut'en Band members to apply for On-Call Security position and On-call Cook for the Ormond Lake Cultural Healing camp. Please send resumes to Marilyn Janzen, ARP Manager or contact her for details @ 567-2900 or toll free 1-866-567-2333.

UPDATES

ADMINISTRATION:

CSFS will be hosting its annual AGA- July 23-24, 2008. It will take place at the Grassy Plains Hall, Southside BC. We look forward to seeing everyone there, and appreciate your feedback and comments.

All Health Staff will be attending three days of Professional Development on June 23rd, 24th & 25th in Saik'uz. The Vanderhoof office will be open to receive telephone calls; however, services will be limited as all Health Staff will be out of the office on those days.

ADDICTIONS RECOVERY PROGRAM:

The ARP Program continues it's work out at Ormond Lake Camp, we have had Two successful, and full camps this past month, and look forward to the Trauma Camp, and Family Camp in June. The Family camp for June is full, and we hope to get referrals for the Family Camp in September.

ARP continues to work on Accreditation, and hopes to be completed by October of this year. I would like to thank all of the people who have been involved in this process; all of the ARP staff appreciates it. Happy Fathers Day to the dad's out there 😊

ECD:

The Early Child Development Program is now providing services to four communities – Saik'uz First Nations, Nadleh Whut'en, Stelat'en First Nations, and Yekooche.

Attention: Parents of Children Attending Kindergarten in September – Carrier Sekani Family Services is providing "School Transition Parent Handbooks". This handbook provides information and tips on how to prepare your child for Kindergarten. Contact Karen or Dawn at CSFS Vanderhoof Office to receive your free copy.

The Yekooche Head Start Centre is in the final stages of licensing application and will be opening soon. Hilda Schielke is the new Manager. The "You Make the Difference" parenting program, running in Yekooche, is now in its third week and is well attended. Contact Karen George (1.866.567.2333) for more information on this interactive 9-week program or to arrange offering this program in your community.

We are also providing services to the Strong Start Program being offered in Saik'uz. Contact Dawne Persson (567-2900) for more information on how you can participate in this exciting child/parent interactive group.

The Canadian Pre-Natal Program is going through some changes and will soon be offered in the Vanderhoof, Fort St. James, and Fraser Lake areas. Keep an eye for further updates on events, dates and times. See the job posting if you are interested in perusing a career in the Early Child Development Profession.

HOME CARE: Our next Tea and Bannock event will be held in Yekooche on June 13th. The Mary Pac Arthritis team will be visiting Takla on June 11th. This is a great opportunity for arthritic clients to be seen by this specialist team. Shirley Burt and Cynthia Munger are working with Dr. John and doing testing called A1C which monitors cholesterol levels and sugar levels of several clients in Stelat'en and Nadleh. Carla Isadore has been orientating in Takla this last week. Madeline Hoefler has created a news letter for the Takla Health Centre which informs the community of all the exciting events that happen at the clinic. The Takla Health station also has monthly meetings. These meetings are very informative and allow everyone an update as to what's going on within each department. I would recommend this in every health station. The Home Care Program has recently completed their evaluation.

NURSING: MENTAL HEALTH: The mental health team continues to work tirelessly in their respective communities. Larry Furmanczyk initiated a celebration for mothers and grandmothers in Takla, which turned out to be a huge success. Larry and his colleagues are planning a community celebration to honor those who have completed drug & alcohol treatment programs. In Stelat'en, Miss Mieke is gearing up for summer with plans for suicide information/training, encouraging members to take part in a walking group and organizing an ongoing summer tea for the Elders. Likewise, Andrea Thom in Burns Lake

is hoping to coordinate various sports activities for the children during the summer months. Marnie Delanghe who works in both Nadleh and Yekooche is planning a summer group for the kids of Yekooche and maintains the weekly women's healing circles in that community. While in Nadleh, Marnie has the opportunity to attend at Ormond Lake during the various camps. Michelle Marquette, whose caseload is Prince George and all off-reserve, continues her individual counseling sessions at the Brazzoni and Associates office. All members of the mental health team, along with their fearless leader, Christina Brazzoni, will be attending the professional development training in Saik'uz in June.

Dates to Remember:

- **June 9-15, 2008 ~Trauma Camp at Ormond Lake**
- **June 15, 2008~ Fathers Day**
- **June 21, 2008~ Aboriginal Day**
- **June 23-29, 2008 ~Families Camp at Ormond Lake (FULL)**

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