## Week Ending July 15, 2016

# Message from the CEO

#### All about you!

Nick Reich and I will be hitting the road to visit our members and others within the sector over the coming months. We want to see your employment and training centres, talk to staff and managers, and collect stories of challenges and successes from your frontline staff and participants.

Candid feedback and innovative ideas will further help us advocate on your behalf, while providing us with important information to develop member programs and services.



ASPECT Member Services and Communications Coordinator, Nicki Reich, and CEO, Janet Morris-Reade

Our tentative tour dates are as follows:

August 8-11: Victoria & Area August 15-18: Kootenay Region August 22-25: Northern Region

September 12-15: Lower Mainland & Valley September 19-20: Thompson/Okanagan

September 26-29: Vancouver Island & Sunshine Coast

Granted, we will not get to everyone in the first round of tours, but we will try to reach as many people as we can. Whether or not we are there in person, you are always welcome to call me at 250-382-9675 x 225 or email me at <a href="mailto:jmorris-reade@aspect.bc.ca">jmorris-reade@aspect.bc.ca</a>. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards, Janet

# Booming B.C. tech sector facing serious labour shortages

#### Posted by CHEK

Learning to code is launching Cort Hertay into a completely new career. "I was actually a supervisor with Staples so I made a complete shift in my career path," he said.

The Victoria man has just completed an eight week intensive coding boot camp with Lighthouse Labs, and he already has interviews lined up for junior developer positions.

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# Funding is now available to improve accessibility and safety in your workplace or community

Posted by Service Canada

We wish to inform you of a funding opportunity that may be of interest to you or your network. You could receive up to \$50,000 through the Government of Canada's Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF) to help improve accessibility in your facility or venue.

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## B.C. sees employment growth, province added 16,000 positions in June

Posted by CTV News Vancouver Island

The latest employment numbers from Statistics Canada show B.C. was the lone bright spot in June, in terms of job creation.

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# The Province and B.C.'s technology industry join forces to meet labour needs

Posted by BC Gov News

The B.C. government announced today nearly \$600,000 towards a partnership with key technology industry partners to study the labour market needs in the tech sector.

#### Click for full article.

# Best summer ever: Record number of jobs and opportunities in British Columbia through Canada Summer Jobs Program

Posted by CNW

More British Columbia students than ever before will find work this year under the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program, thanks to unprecedented interest by employers and students from across the province, the Honourable Bardish Chagger, Minister of Small Business and Tourism, announced today at the Kelowna Art Gallery.

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#### Study calls for \$10-per-day child care to end daycare 'crisis'

Posted by CTV News Vancouver

A new report says the shortage of affordable, high-quality daycare in B.C. has created a "crisis" for families and is violating the rights of women and children.

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#### Skills Link Call for Proposal Infomation Session

Email from Service Canada

This email is to inform you that we will be holding information sessions for the Skills Link Call for Proposal in the Lower Mainland area from July 20th through July 29th. Attached is a list of these sessions; if interested, follow the instructions attached to register for the

session of your choice (attendee must be registered to attend).

Additionally, an online WebEx of the Information Session has been made available for viewing at your convenience.

Thank you for your interest in the Skills Link program and in helping youth overcome barriers to employment and please feel free to pass this on to other organizations or groups that you think may be interested.

Tessa Paterson

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#### **INFORMATION SESSIONS**

The following Information Sessions are being held in the community. Registration is required. In order to register for a session, please reply to the following email address: tessa.paterson@servicecanada.gc.ca

In your reply, please include:

- your name
- organization's name
- contact information
- time, date, and location of the session for which you are interested in registering

VANCOUVER - Friday July 22, 9:30 am - 11:30 am OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm (English session) Location: Service Canada Office, 125 East 10th Ave., Vancouver

VANCOUVER - Tuesday July 26, 2016 9:30 am - 11:30 am (French session) Location: Service Canada Office, 125 East 10th Ave., Vancouver

SOUTH SURREY - Tuesday July 26, 2016 9:30 am - 11:30 am OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm (English session)

Location: Surrey South Service Canada Centre, 103-15295 Highway 10, Surrey

COQUITLAM - Monday July 25, 2016 9:30 am - 11:30 pm OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm (English session)

Location: Coquitlam Service Canada Centre, 2963 Glen Drive, Suite 100, Coquitlam

BURNABY - WednesdayJuly 27, 2016 9:30 - 11:30 pm OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm (English session)

Location: Burnaby Service Canada Centre, 100- 3480 Gilmore Way, Burnaby

ABBOTSFORD - Wednesday July 20, 2016 10:00 am - 12:00 am (English session) Location: Abbotsford Service Canada Centre, 32525 Simon Avenue, Suite 100, Abbotsford

WHISTLER - Please reply to the email address listed above by noon July 21st to express interest in attending a session in this area.

Based on demand, one session will be delivered the week of July 25th. (English session) Location: TBD

Thank you for your interest in the program and please feel free to pass this on to other organizations or groups that you think may be interested.

# Join us for the next annual ASPECT Provincial Conference The Space Between

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Guest Room \$136.00Deluxe Waterview Room \$176.00

## ASPECT Member Agency Job Postings

Executive Director WorkBC-USDC, Hazelton, BC Closes: July 29, 2016 Click here for details.

Assistant Manager for Employment Services DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC Closes: July 24, 2016 Click here for details.

Recruitment Specialist (Job Developer) MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC Closes: July 25, 2016 Click here for details.

Executive Office Coordinator MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC Closes: July 22, 2016 Click here for details.

Program Assistant, Hope to Work MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC Closes: July 24, 2016
Click here for details.

Youth Outreach Worker
Pacific Community Resources Society, Vancouver, BC
Closes: July 24, 2016
Click for details.

Program Assistant
Pacific Community Resources Society, Surrey BC
Closes: July 19, 2016
Click for details.

Child and Youth Care Counsellor Pacific Community Resources Society, Surrey BC Closes: July 31, 2016 Click for details. To have your job opportunity included in the newsletter, please send the details including a link to your posting to <a href="mailto:nreich@aspect.bc.ca">nreich@aspect.bc.ca</a>.

## Professional Development Events

# **2016 Summer Labour Market Conference: Skills for a Changing Job Market** July 28 & 29, 2016

Hilton Vancouver Metrotown, Burnaby, BC

This year's conference brings together leaders in business, education, labour and industry to explore the skills that will be needed in the next five to ten years. British Columbia has entered an ever increasing 'Skills Shortage', not a 'Labour Shortage' as some might hope. Competition for entry-level employment is extreme while many skilled jobs go unfilled. Baby-boomer retirements are expected to peak between 2019-2023 and workers with in-demand skills will be the ones who benefit the most.

Register now: <a href="http://www.labourmarketconference.ca/">http://www.labourmarketconference.ca/</a>

#### The CAPLA RPL Boot Camp

October 14 & 15, 2016
The Grand Hotel & Suites, Toronto, ON

CAPLA's recognition of prior learning (RPL) Boot Camp is for the brave, strong and disruptive innovator who wants to improve the way we acknowledge learning in Canada!

Click here for more information.

#### 2017 Cannexus Conference

January 23-25, 2017 Shaw Centre, Ottawa, ON

Come together with more than 900 of your peers to exchange information and explore innovative approaches in the areas of career counselling and career development.

Register now: http://cannexus.ca/registration/

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