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CANADA Celebrates!

Happy Canada Day weekend to all!



CANADA 150 +

CEO Report

Attentions turn to the Federal Landscape

As I write this, I have the music from legislature [web broadcast](#) playing in the background. I'm waiting for the 1:30 start time of the house sitting and the discussions to follow. The Vancouver Sun is describing it as "a dramatic and historic day in provincial politics." Even with all this provincial excitement, ASPECT has also been focused on the federal front.

This week, ASPECT BC along with our counterparts across Canada, have sent a letter to Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour, Honourable Patty Hajdu. The Canadian Coalition of Community-Based Employability Training (CCCBET) has:

1. Requested a Place on the Labour Market Information Council

As experts within their communities, our members bring an informed perspective to the national discussion and we ask to be considered for membership on the stakeholder advisory committee to the Labour Market Information Council.

2. Offered Help Implementing the Vision of Workforce Development in Canada



CCCBET has sited challenges such as the deterioration of federal employment infrastructure through underfunded workforce development programs:

- Community-based workforce development organizations are walking away from federal government contracts because the contracts are underfunded and their

- community organizations are no longer able to subsidize government programs.
- Contracts are too short and as a result, it is not possible to see the meaningful impact of the developed programs.
- The sector is experiencing a continued pattern of years passing between the close of the request for proposals and award of the contract.
- Because the governments work to avoid duplication of services between provincial and federal contracts, when the federal contracts are delayed it means that services are not being delivered to many communities and in some areas, there is no provincial infrastructure to pick up the slack.

I invite you to read the [entire letter](#) and provide me with your thoughts on the points raised within the letter. I have shared the letter with my provincial contacts so that we can identify opportunities to work together on the federal front.

[Janet Morris-Reade](#)

ASPECT BC Member Survey

Your feedback makes us stronger!

Please take 2-3 minutes to tell us how we're doing, where we can improve, and what matters most to you, your staff, and your clients.

[Click here to start the survey!](#) Respond before June 14th and be entered to win a \$25 VISA Gift Card!



In the News

[The Seventy Year Decline: How Government Expropriated Employment Insurance from Canadian Workers and Employers and Why This Matters](#), Report by Dr. Donna E. Wood, published by the Mowat Centre, June 21, 2017

[BC NDP continues to consider changes to province's labour code](#), Vancouver Sun, June 16, 2017

[BC employment edges up in May](#), Business Vancouver, June 20, 2017

[Does \\$15 minimum wage kill jobs? Experts debate Seattle's results](#), Global News, June 27, 2017

[How Technology Puts Pressure on BC's Migrant Farm Workers](#), The Tyee, June 28, 2017

[B.C. Liberals project \\$2.8B budget surplus for 2016-17](#), BNN, June 28, 2017

[Langley refugee thankful for second chance](#), Langley Times, June 24, 2017

Employer Panel @ the 2017 ASPECT Provincial Conference

Help Us Find Participants for Our Employer Forum

At the ASPECT BC Provincial Conference
Richmond, November 2-3, 2017



Employer engagement is an important part of supporting your clients find and retain meaningful and sustainable employment. We are looking for business leaders to be a part of a Employer Forum during the ASPECT Conference where we hope to discuss the following:

- How can we build stronger relationships and partnerships between employers and workforce development organizations?
- What are they employers in various fields really looking for in new hires?
- How can our we support them to through client referral?

Do you know employers who would be a good fit?

If so, please send their name, position, company name, phone number and email address to [Janet Morris-Reade](#) at ASPECT and we'll follow up with them.

Canada-BC Job Grant

Application Deadline July 31st

If you are planning training for your staff that starts between September 1 - December 31, 2017, your application deadline it merely days away!

Apply now, even if you don't know who will be taking the training, so that your grant application is in before the deadline. Once approved, you can fill in the details of whom will be taking the training.

For Canada-BC Job Grant details and eligibility go to aspectcanadabcjobgrant.ca

ASPECT Member Agency Job Postings

Does your organization have "multiple listings" and you would prefer to have each job shown individually? Then please use the [online form](#) to submit your job posting and we'll make sure that happens. This service is available to ASPECT members only. Not a member? [Join us!](#)

Employment Counsellor - (CAS-EC)

Coast Mental Health

Closing Date: Open until filled

[Click for details](#)

Youth Substance Use Support Recovery Program Live In Support Worker

Pacific Community Resources Society

Closing Date: Open until filled

[Click for details](#)

Associate Program Director

Open Door Group, Kamloops, Sechelt, and Oliver

Closing Date: Postings Open Until Filled

[Click for details](#)

On-Call LINC Instructor

MOSAIC, Burnaby, North Vancouver and Vancouver
Closing Date: Ongoing: Fall/Winter Deadline: October 7, 2017 5:00 PM

[Click for details](#)

Multiple Postings

DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC

Closes: See details.

[Click for details.](#)

Multiple Postings

ISSofBC, Richmond, BC

Closing dates: See details

[Click for details.](#)

To have your job opportunity included in the newsletter,

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Professional Development Events

Volunteer Futures Symposium 2017

October 4 & 5, 2017

Richmond, BC

[Click for details.](#)

2017 ASPECT BC Conference

November 2 & 3, 2017

Sheraton Vancouver Airport, Richmond

[Details coming soon.](#)



ASPECT BC Health Benefits Plan

Partial proceeds support ASPECT BC and the work we do -- Enrol now!

The ASPECT Health Benefits program is available to [ASPECT members](#) and is delivered by our partner, Delta Pacific Benefits Brokers. For more information please contact [Christopher Block](#) directly:

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