



Week Ending September 1, 2017

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CEO Report

September Highlights

There's so much going on this month that affects our members that I thought I would share it with you in a list here to keep you up-to-date.

- Today Disability Employment Month begins.
- Today Canada Job Grant priority stream application intake opens for training starting January 1, 2018.
- September 5 ASPECT BC Board is meeting with the Minister of Social Development & Poverty Reduction, Hon. Shane Simpson in Vancouver.
- September 8 The Legislative Assembly will return at 10:00 a.m. to discontinue the 1st session of the 41st Parliament. The Opening of the 2nd session will take place at 2:00 p.m.
- September 11 BC Budget Day -- ASPECT will participate in the pre-budget lock up.
- September 20 ASPECT BC will participate in the North Vancouver Island Aboriginal Training Society Community Capacity Building Forum in Nanaimo.
- Date TBC Meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education, Skills & Training, Hon. Melanie Mark.
- Date TBC Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services' Budget 2018 Consultations dates announced

This past week I had the opportunity to meet with the new Assistant Deputy Minister of Social Development & Poverty Reduction, Chris Brown, and next week I'll meet with the

new Assistant Deputy Minister of Advance Education, Skills & Training, Bindi Sawchuck.

It's our focus to keep the lines of communication open with our new leaders and public servants so that they know who our members are and the clients & communities they serve.

[Janet Morris-Reade](#)

ASPECT Pro-D: Webinar

ASPECT BC partners with NECI to provide member training.

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- PART TWO - **Preparing Your Team for the Competitive Process** - \$97 - Sept 13, 2017 10:00 - 11:30 AM PST [Register Now!](#)
- PART THREE - **Tips for Success in the Competitive Edge** - \$97 - Sept 14, 2017 10:00 - 11:30 AM PST [Register Now!](#)

About the Presenter

Maureen Sullivan, BA, LLB, CTP | President, Legal Editor and Publisher

Maureen has been an instructor and curriculum designer with [NECI](#) since 1995. In 2010, Maureen managed the curriculum development process for the Public Sector Procurement Program (PSPP), that has since been accredited by the Supply Chain Sector Council and won the Summit Award of Excellence for Leadership in Public Procurement.

In 2009, Maureen assumed ownership of NECI. Under her visionary leadership, she catapulted NECI to become Canada's leader in developing an engaging, interactive, online learning platform for procurement professionals.



An experienced litigator, mediator and dispute resolution practitioner, Maureen has an in-depth knowledge of both procurement law and contracting issues with particular expertise in negotiations. In her spare time, she volunteers in Restorative Justice.

Renowned for her engaging teaching style, one of Maureen's many strengths is her ability to integrate legal concepts with business practices, making often-difficult concepts accessible and understandable for learners at all levels.

Sector News

[B.C. NDP abandons 2021 deadline to reach \\$15 minimum wage](#)

Vancouver Sun, August 31, 2017

[Making jobs more accessible to everyone](#)
Penticton Western News, August 30, 2017

[Liberals target students' skills gap with roll out of educational placement cash](#)
National Newswatch, August 29, 2017

[Jobs at stake in B.C.'s minimum-wage hikes, critics say](#)
Business In Vancouver, August 29, 2017

[New federal student co-op program aims to help 'bridge the gap' from school to work](#)
CBC News, August 28, 2017

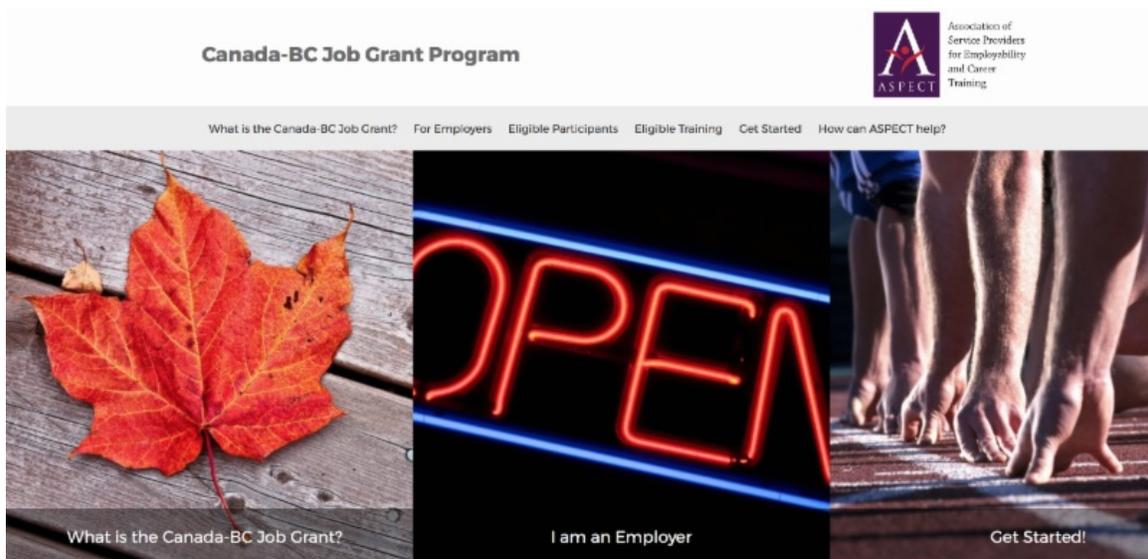
Register Now!



Canada-BC Job Grant

Intake 3 opens today!

As of Sept. 1, 2017, all streams are open to applications for training starting January 1 to March 31, 2018. Let ASPECT BC help you determine your eligibility and support you through the application process. Employment and social services sector organizations are considered "In-Demand" priority streams. Don't understand? Call us and we'll walk you through it.



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

ASPECT Member Agency Job Postings

This service is available to ASPECT members only. Not a member? [Join us!](#)

Our [online job posting form](#) has been unreliable with different web browsers. We are working on it! If it doesn't work for you, please send your posting to info@aspect.bc.ca. Thank you.

Manager/Job Developer for Skills Max for Youth

YWCA Metro Vancouver
Closes: September 8, 2017

[Click for details.](#)

Marketing, Communications & Events Coordinator, Skills Training & Employment Services Team

DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes: September 11, 2017

[Click for details.](#)

Work BC Case Manager

Agora Employment Essentials (Avia Employment Services), Richmond
Closes: September 18, 2017

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Professional Development Events

Volunteer Futures Symposium 2017

October 4 & 5, 2017
Richmond, BC

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2017 ASPECT BC Conference

November 2 & 3, 2017
Sheraton Vancouver Airport, Richmond

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