

NEW BRUNSWICK COALITION FOR PAY EQUITY NEWSLETTER November 2019

1. Mark the dates

Commemorate the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women with the Coalition at the following events:

Woodstock - Lunch & Learn [in English only] This is our second Lunch & Learn, I can't afford to leave: Reflecting on the personal cost of domestic violence. Join us to learn more about the link between women's economic vulnerability and their difficulty in leaving an abusive relationship.

- » December 5, 2019
- » 12 to 1:30 pm, light lunch starting at 11:30 am.
- » Ayr Motor Centre, Woodstock, NB

RSVP to let us know you're coming!

Moncton - Commemorative event [in French only] A symbolic day to highlight the continued efforts to prevent and eliminate violence against women. Activities include kiosks, a silent walk, a visual exhibit and a discussion panel, on which the Coalition's Public Engagement Officer, Rachel Richard, will participate.

- » December 6, 2019
- » 11:30 to 6:30
- » Faculté des sciences de l'éducation, Université de Moncton, Moncton

Find more information here.

2. I give because I care!

We're getting close to our \$75,000 fundraising goal thanks to our generous donors but we are not there yet! Please help us get the missing \$15,000 and make your one-time or monthly donation online or by mail.

3. Pay equity absent from the throne speech

We are disappointed with the lack of commitments to improve the wages of workers in predominantly female jobs in the throne speech. We hope the government's priorities in health care and education will translate into investments in wage increases in the next budget.

4.1 care. Don't you?



Our Valuing Care-Giving Work project now has a logo of its own! With the slogan, "I care. Don't you?", the Coalition calls on the public and the government to ACT.

With the testimonials of two workers, Erica Flynn and Laurie Anderson we held a press conference on November 7 to unveil the new logo and call on the government to invest in workers' wages in the next budget.

IMPORTANT! We are recruiting employees and employers from the caregiving sector to sit on a job evaluation committee. Results will help the Coalition raise public awareness and advocate for investments in better wages. For more info, see our FB Group. Interested? Contact Tina: tina.poirier@equite-equity.com.

5. Let's talk equity

- We met with the new Immigrant Women's Association of New Brunswick. Immigrant women are often clustered in female-dominated jobs and often face double discrimination both in terms of pay equity and access to employment.
- We also met the Indigenous Women of The Wabanaki Territories to talk about how the Pay Equity Act applies to Indigenous governing bodies.

6. #NotaSupplyProblem

Congratulations to our Executive Director Johanne Perron for being named one of Atlantic Canada's inspirational women by Amplify East. Their goal is to amplify the voices and accomplishments of women in Atlantic Canada—because remarkable women are #NotASupplyProblem, especially among our members!

"The pay given to female-dominated jobs is an indicator of the value given to women in our society.

When we are making progress, it means we are moving towards gender equality."

— Johanne Perron