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Healthier Northern Communities ebrief

The Healthier Northern Communities ebrief is produced by the regional Population Health program, Population and Public Health, Northern Health. In the spirit of healthy people who live, work, learn and play in healthy communities across the north, the ebrief delivers information on resources, learning events, funding opportunities and other information specific to promoting healthy living and the prevention of chronic disease and injury.

June 5th - 11th is Safe Kids Week

This year's theme #everydaysuperhero focuses on one of the top injury issues affecting children: Active transportation injuries. Visit here to order your community toolkit, download active transportation tip sheets, and community event guide. Join us in the celebration!



Food for Thought

- Healthier You Magazine: Spring 2017
- Farm to School: "Canada Digs In" Story Series
- Male-dominated workplaces in northern BC provide insight into how to keep men healthy
- Food Security in the Bulkley Valley
- Screen Time: Canadian pediatricians promote limits for kids 5 and under

Resources

**NEW CSEP Poster – 24-Hour Movement Guidelines for Children and Youth

Resilient Streets Toolkit: The How-to Guide for Building Community

Transgender Health Resources

- Transgender Health Information Portal (THiP)
- The Genderbread Person v2.0

Events

June 5-11, 2017 - National Sun Awareness Week

If you haven't already been enjoying the sun safely, National Sun Awareness week is a great time to kick it off! Mark some time this week to buy a new summer hat and check your sunscreen's expiration date. All summer long, take care when in the sun, especially between 11 and 3, or when the UV index is 3 or higher. Visit here for tips on how to protect your family, and here for tools and resources to protect your outdoor workers.

June 10, 2017 – Early Years Fair (10am – 2pm Exploration Place, Prince George, BC)

June 12-18, 2017 – Canadian Men's Health Week (Click here for more)

June 13, 2017 – Men's Mental Health Awareness Day

June 21, 2017 – National Aboriginal Day (Look for local events near you!)

Canada 150 Playlist Community Events

June 11, 2017 - Prince Rupert Seafest Grass Volleyball Tournament (Prince Rupert BC)

June 23, 2017 – Canada 150 Barn Dance (Taylor, BC)

Webinars & Learning Opportunities

Learning Initiatives for Rural and Northern (LIRN) BC Community Workshop Expressions of Interest

Applications DUE June 16th, 2017 at 5:00pm

LIRN BC provides learning opportunities for non-profit organizations, First Nations, and local/regional governments to support building capacity at the community level. For a list of workshops offered and the application to express interest visit here.

Webinar – Advancing the Concept of Universal Design

June 19th, 2017 from 12:00pm EDT

Presented by Fall Prevention Community of Practice, this webinar is designed for health care professionals, designers, planners and stakeholders who are interested in learning more about designing environments to create more inclusive and intergenerational communities. Register here.

Webinar – Stop Marketing to Kids

June 21st, 2017 from 8:30-10:30am MST

Public Health Association of BC: Annual Summer School

Facing a Changing World: Transformative Leadership and Practice July 6-7th, 2017

Open to anyone working directly or indirectly on public health issues and health promoting activities in BC. This two-day summer school is a unique collaboration of key-note presentations, case studies and hands on workshops that dive into the meaning of transformative practice and social innovation and its applications across multiple sectors in public health. In-person and remote sites available. For more information and to register visit the PHABC website.

E-Courses – BCRPA Courses for Local Governments and Parks and Recreation Professionals

Three self-paced e-courses on delivering recreation programs to vulnerable populations, and the links between social inclusion, recreation and engaging the "hard to reach". Register here.

FNHA's "Tobacco Nation" Podcast Series

In support of World No Tobacco Day, the First Nations Health Authority created and launched the Tobacco Nation podcast series. A set of personal stories to inform and to inspire people about tobacco use. Find them here.

Funding Opportunities

Northern Health Active Communities Grants

Deadline July 21, 2017

Active Communities grants are a one-time funding opportunity available to local governments supported through the provincial Ministry of Health's <u>Active People</u>, <u>Active Places Physical Activity Strategy</u>. The aim of the Strategy is to support and provide access to physical activity for individuals and families in communities across the province. Through this funding, the goal is to strengthen community relationships and capacity through multi-sector partnerships for physical activity planning. Funds are available from \$20,000 to \$30,000 per project. To find out more information, access the Active Communities web page here.

New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) Funding for Community-Based Projects Deadline June 23, 2017 (11:59pm PST)

Organizations that want to help seniors make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities are eligible to receive federal grants and contributions funding. For the application guide and to apply see here.

Smart Cities Challenge - Get Ready!

Want to improve livability and opportunities for your community and your people? The Canadian Government will work in collaboration with cities and communities that are ready to innovate and take risks – providing financial and in-kind support for their smart cities transformation. Open to municipalities, regional governments and Indigenous communities. For more details see here. #smartcitiesCanada

Northern Health Blogs

- Garden Planning Starts in your Kitchen By: Erin Branco
- <u>Discovering the Rich History of Oolichan in the Northwest</u> By: Victoria Carter
- <u>Dinner from Down Under</u> By: Marianne Bloudoff
- One dietitian, one month, and 28 recipes: Lessons Learned By: Lise Luppens
- Building Your Pantry Survival Kit By: Carmen Maddigan
- Making Recipe Modifications Work for You By: Melanie Chapple
- Rolling into the Summer Season By: Lindsay Kraitberg
- Babies, solid foods, and allergies: What do you need to know? By: Lise Luppens
- Fiddleheads, a springtime treat By: Tamara Grafton
- Supporting safe and inclusive school environments for children with food allergies By: Emilia Moulechkova
- Ride into Summer with Bike to Work and School Week By: Gloria Fox
- Build your own quick and tasty wraps (and enjoy more time outdoors) By: Emilia Moulechkova
- Only in History By: Cynthia Gjerde
- What is World No Tobacco Day? By: Cynthia Gjerde
- <u>Tobacco: a Threat to Development</u> By: Nancy Viney
- Food: A foundation for building relationships By: Kelly Bogh

Are there other opportunities for people to connect within your community in the Northern Health region? Do you have information, articles or resources that you think might be of interest to northern communities? Send your information by email to healthycommunities@northernhealth.ca

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