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CASW Children's Issues Interest Group
Summary of Achievements
2005-2008

Achievement Activity	Time	Accomplishment
1. Terms of reference for CASW Children's Issues Interest Group	July 05	Completed and posted on CASW website
2. Child Welfare Public message	June 05	Completed and distributed to provincial and territorial associations for their use. Will be evaluated in June 2007
3. Working Conditions and Client outcomes follow-up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - call for proposals - develop future projects that highlight hopeful directions and show community capacity building 	July 05 Aug. 05	Project awarded to Manitoba
4. Literature Review on Working Conditions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Executive summary 	Aug. 05	Completed and circulated.
5. <i>One page summary document dealing with positive and negative organizational climates</i>		
6. Template letter to Lobby Ministers	Dec 06	Provided feedback on political action kit (Election 2006 Campaign, re. Children's Issues)
7. Poster presentation on Children's Issues Committee	June 06	Presented at June 2006 CASW conference.
8. Developers' presentation of Empowering Social Workers in the Workplace	June 2006	Presented at June 2006 CASW Conference
9. "Empowering Social Workers in the Workplace: A Strengths-based strategy for Child welfare" (Pilot Project)	Nov. 06	Completed by Winnipeg Child and Family Services. Interest group provided feedback on the re-write of the Executive summary. Final report available through CASW
10. Social Work Week: March 2007, "Social Workers Making a Difference in Children's Lives"	Jan. 07	Fact Sheet highlighting issues related to children across the country and the impact of our current social policy. Information sheet highlighting areas of practice in which social workers work with children.
11. Lowering Age of Criminal Responsibility for Children	Feb. 07	Committee convened to address this matter, however new Minister of Justice removed this from his agenda therefore

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		new longer an issue.
12. Follow up regarding child welfare death reports/media events.	Oct. 06	Interview with CBC radio, the Current.
13. Carleton University Social Work students research project	March 2007	Students seeking input on Child welfare training in undergraduate programs in the provinces of Sask, Ontario and BC.
14. Child Welfare Pamphlet (adapted for CASW use).	May 2007	Promotional Tool for child protection services. To be distributed across the country.
15. Pilot Project: "Empowering Social Workers in the Workplace: A Strengths Based Strategy for Child Welfare"	June 2007	Executive summary posted on CASW website (English and French). CD of full project available for distribution.
16. Child Welfare Deaths Position Paper	Oct. 07	- Position paper presenting recommendations for changes to child welfare across the country based on reports released on child deaths in the various provinces/territories across the country and previously released CASW Child welfare project reports.
17. Social Work Week: March 2008	December 2007	-Assist in the development of material for this week as appropriate.
18. Receive feedback from Provincial/Territorial Associations re impact of Public Message.	June 2007	Evaluate effectiveness of Public Message. Evaluation questionnaire sent to Provincial/Territorial Associations Oct. 06.
19. Presentation at CASW National Conference: Child Welfare Deaths report, Winnipeg Project.	June 2008	Networking and increasing profile of Interest Group
20. Prairie Child Welfare Consortium presentation, Regina, Sask.	Sept. 12-14, 07 Proposal deadline, May 15, 07	September 2007