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## CASW Reporter

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### Strengthening and Promoting the Profession

#### **CASW Federation Adopts new Strategic Directions**

The CASW Federation adopted new Strategic Directions to guide the work of the organization from 2012-15 at the annual joint meeting this past June. [Click here](#) to review the new CASW Strategic Directions.

#### **The Way Forward: Moving Towards Community-Integrated Hospice Palliative Care in Canada.**

CASW is pleased to announce that the Government of Canada is providing one-time funding of \$3 million to the [Quality End-of-life Care Coalition of Canada](#) (QELCCC), of which CASW is an active member, to support the development of community-integrated palliative care models for the health care sector. This initiative will be managed by Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA) and will be implemented through Health Canada's Health Care Policy Contribution Program (HCPCP) - Health Care System Innovation Fund. [Click here](#) to learn more about this initiative.

#### **Farewells and Welcomes to CASW**

CASW bids farewell to Joanne Gauthier representative from the ASWNC and Kathy Jones representative from the MIRSWS to the CASW Children's Issues Interest Group and welcomes Alan Corbeil as the new representative to CASW Health Interest Group from the SASW. As well, CASW bids a final farewell to Darlene MacDonald who served her last year on the CASW Board in the position of Past-President. Darlene's leadership will be missed and our heartfelt gratitude for her many years of commitment and dedication to the association.

#### **Employment - Looking for a new opportunity?**

- ❖ [Victim Services Counsellor](#) - Waterloo Regional Police Service

## Pursuit of Social Justice

### **CASW Encouraged by Premiers' Leadership on Healthcare**

CASW was encouraged by the cooperation and leadership of the Council of the Federation in releasing the [Health Care Innovation Working Group report](#) that provides specific recommendations in five areas to improve health outcomes for Canadians. CASW is hopeful that the collaboration demonstrated in healthcare delivery will be applied equally to establishing equity and accountability in the delivery of social services across Canada. [Click here](#) to read the full release.

### **CASW Endorsed HEAL's Support for the Council of the Federation Report on Health Innovation**

The [Health Action Lobby](#) (HEAL), of which CASW is an active member, welcomed the report of the Health Care Innovation Working Group of the Council of the Federation. [Click here](#) to read the more.

## International

### **2012 Joint World Conference on Social Work and Social Development: Action and Impact**

Not able to attend the 2012 Joint World Conference in Stockholm, Sweden (July 8-12, 2012) in person? No problem, the International Association of Social Workers (IFSW) has made the conference available on line! Share in the wealth of knowledge presented by educators and social development practitioners from all corners of the world. [Click here](#) to view the day by day plenary sessions, interviews and the conference presentations.

### **New Global Executive elected to lead the social work profession**

CASW is pleased to announce that CASW President, Morel Caissie has been elected to the Executive of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) to the position of North American Member-at-Large at the 2012 Joint World Conference. [Click here](#) to view the full Global Executive.

### **CASW Endorses Global Agenda of Social Work and Social Development**

Prior to the global social work and social development communities gathering in Stockholm, Sweden for the 2012 Joint World Conference, the CASW Board formally adopted and committed the organization to the Global Agenda of Social Work and Social Development: Commitment to Action. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### **IFSW Connect - Online networking for social workers**

IFSW Connect enables social workers to create professional networks with your peers from around the world. Connect enables members to form discussion groups, engage with networks and share resources with colleagues. Connect is highly affordable, costing just USD\$20 per year. [Click here](#) to Connect.

## Relevant Resources

### Teen Mental Health

Evergreen is an initiative of the Mental Health Commission of Canada that has collaboratively developed with professionals, youth, parents and members of the public a framework specific to the needs of child and youth mental health. This framework for child and youth mental health is important because it helps keep everyone on the same page, working together towards a common goal – to develop a mental health system that effectively meets the needs of young people living with mental health problems and illnesses. To access Evergreen resources, [click here](#) or visit <http://teenmentalhealth.org>.

### Innovations in Home Care: A Public Policy Perspective

The Simon Fraser University Department of Gerontology & Gerontology Research Centre have made available the videos and PowerPoint's of all of the presentations from their "*Innovations in Home Care: A Public Policy Perspective*" conference this past May. To access this educational resource, please [click here](#). (English only)

### Free xChange webinars - Challenging Youth in Challenging Contexts (CYCC) Network

The CYCC Network is a 4-year knowledge mobilization project that seeks to identify, gather, and create accessible mechanisms for promoting the uptake of existing research and best practices for collaborators working with children and youth. [Click here](#) to access the registration for upcoming [xChange webinars](#) entitled - Best Practices and Lessons Learned in Mobilizing Knowledge for Violence and Abuse Prevention & Best Practices from the Field: How Youth Related NGOs Can Influence Social Policy.

### DreamCatcher Mentoring

DreamCatcher Mentoring (DCM) is now recruiting Canadians to volunteer as mentors for its 2012/2013 e-mentoring program. DCM is looking for mentors from all fields and sectors to mentor high school students in Canada's North. Mentors are required to post messages to their mentees 2-3 times per week, committing about 15 to 30 mins per week. Mentorships typically last 3-4 months either between October to January, or March to June each year. [Click here](#) to learn more and pass it on!

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