

FRPA Review Office Newsletter

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Updates

The FRPA Review Process pilot is underway. Once the regulatory bodies (see <u>FRPA Reviews May/June 2013</u>) have finished responding to the questions on the web-based data collection tool we will kick-off the 10 week process. Results of the reviews will be available by the end of July. In addition to the FRPA Review Reports, a report on the outcomes of the pilot will be drafted. As a result of pilot outcomes and recommendations, necessary changes to the process, guides and web tool will be implemented and following that a review schedule will be prepared.

With the help of Diane MacGregor and the IQN we have posted a Plain Language webinar www.qov.ns.ca/lae/RplLabourMobility/FRP.asp (Introduction to Plan Language Webinar under News & Events). This is the first of a potential series. Please provide any feedback or areas of interest for future webinars.

Cultural Competence

<u>Cultural competence</u> refers to an ability to interact effectively with people of different cultures and socio-economic backgrounds.

A **one day training** workshop on cultural competence will be carefully tailored to meet the specific needs of regulators who must deal with international applicants on a regular basis.

Robert S. Wright will be delivering the training. Robert is highly experienced in the field of cultural competence. Check out his website www.robertswright.ca

Guides and Resources

Plain Language Webinar on our website

Plain Language Guide for Regulatory
Bodies – for hard copies contact the
Review Officer

The **Annual Data Reporting Guide** has been drafted. Layout and design work are underway.

The **FRPA Review Process Guide** has been drafted. Layout and design work are underway.

Breakfast Meetings

Thank you to Allain Lauzon (IQN), Jackie Mullenger, Dana Sharkey and Kristy Gower for their presentations and updates at the April 2nd, 2013 Breakfast Meeting.

Topics for the June 4th meeting will include:

- Ann Mann (Nova Scotia Health Network) will present their model of collaboration in self-regulation of health occupations
- Kris Dove of EngineersNS will update us on the Workplace Competency Assessment project
- Roundtable: changes that have resulted in business improvement <u>See below</u>

Please <u>RSVP</u> to <u>Review Officer</u> as space is limited.

Using LINKS

It is important that the users of our websites know where to get information in just a couple of clicks – especially those coming from another country. Please consider adding these to your site home page.....

If you are in Nova Scotia go here: www.isisns.ca

If you are outside of Canada go here: http://www.novascotiastart.ca/



Check out course availablity at http://www.investigationstraining.com

Course: Investigative Interviewing - Toronto
When: May 29, 2013 Where: Toronto Price: 425.00

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Upcoming Events

June 4th 2013 - Breakfast Meeting

May 23rd 2013 – Cultural Competence Training

FRPA Reviews May/June 2013

College of Registered Nurses of Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia Barristers' Society

Interior Designers of Nova Scotia

Public Accounting Board of Nova Scotia

Links

<u>Department of Labour and Advanced</u> <u>Education</u>

RPL and Labour Mobility Unit

<u>Immigration Settlement and Integration Services</u>

Nova Scotia Start

Careers Nova Scotia

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Promising Practices

Please e-mail the <u>Review Officer</u> if you would be willing to share changes you have implemented that have resulted in business improvements. For example website developments, database development, or system automation. There will be a round table session at the next breakfast meeting (June 4th) to discuss.