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RESICARE NEWS

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter!

Have a look and see what we have coming up.

If you have anything you want to share in our newsletter, please let me know!

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Client Birthdays with Resicare!

- April 4 - Ross Mair
- April 4 - Jayden Fetterly
- April 12 - Lynndsay Smeltzer
- April 18 - Matt Malone
- April 19 - David Stewart
- June 16 - Rosemarie Smeltzer
- June 18 - Terri-Lynn Smeltzer



Please save the date as Resicare will be celebrating 50 years of Service at the AGM on Tuesday June 14, 2022.

Details to follow.



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We would like to welcome 9 new employees to Resicare!

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| Parysa J | Pooja J | Chelsey M |
| Sumeet K | Melissa B | |
| Shyanne H | Arun B | |
| Victoria I | Harwinder C | |

Resident and Family Council Act

Resicare Society of Calgary, in compliance with the Resident and Family Council Act, invites all residents and their families to form a council should they so desire. This council is welcome to meet on a regular basis to discuss concerns, suggestions, or ideas for the homes. Resicare supports all opportunities for individuals and their families to voice concerns and create a better way to solve problems and come up with ideas for improvement .

Canada Alberta Job Grant

Throughout the past year, Resicare Society of Calgary, has continued to access the Canada Alberta Job Grant to fund employee training. This is an employer-driven program open to all those working in the private and not-for-profit sector. Through this program employees are able to access training from a number of providers for one-third the normal price. The other two-thirds are covered through the Grant, which is funded by the government of Canada.

Please contact Dianne Jackson if you are interested in any training.

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The ACDS 2022 Annual Conference is going ahead, and we cannot wait to see you all in person. Between Tuesday, September 27 to Thursday, September 29, we look forward to reuniting the Community Disability Services (CDS) sector, families, volunteers, and supporters through an energizing and celebratory conference.

ReCharge: Let's Come Together at the ACDS 2022 Conference will revitalize our sector through engaging and inspiring presentations and activities that focus on building individual and organizational resilience.

Let's come together and rejuvenate our spirits as we move ahead from two challenging years. Let's share knowledge and expertise and further strengthen our capacities to support individuals, our organizations, and our sector. And as we gather, let's restore our passion for the crucial work we do.

The 2022 annual conference will also mark 50 years since ACDS was established. We have much to celebrate this September and we cannot wait to have you join us.

Please save the dates!



ESSENTIAL BUT FORGOTTEN CAMPAIGN

A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

We invite you to meet with others from across the province to talk about this important campaign, answer any questions you may have and discuss ways you can get involved.

PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN COMMUNITY DISABILITY SERVICES

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 10am or 2pm or 7pm

SELF ADVOCATES

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7pm

FAMILIES/GUARDIANS

Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7pm

To register visit adwa.ca and click "Essential but Forgotten Campaign"



Thank you to everyone for your participation in our Creating Excellence Together Survey. As a team we pulled together to get the Self Study Guide in, uploads of staff and client files completed, virtual tours prepared and of course all the wonderful conversations that took place over the three days. Your commitment and support of Resicare was evident through your greatly appreciated actions. We will not have the full results of the survey for a couple of months but we are confident with everyone's efforts to pull together it will be resounding success. Thank you again!



Thanks to the **East-West College Massage Therapy Program.**

Our individuals are treated to free massages on the first Thursday of every month. If you are interested, please let your coordinator know.





Training

Medication Administration - The employees who have not started the Med Admin, please do so as soon as possible as vouchers do expire and you will need to be re-registered.

HR Downloads Training - Activate HR Downloads and please complete training

Emergency First Aid/CPR - Will be the responsibility of the employee to re-certify. Reminders will be sent before certificate expires.

Alberta Food Safety Basics - Instructions have been emailed to the employees who require this training.

Health and Safety Act

The Alberta *Occupational Health and Safety* (OHS) Act establishes minimum standards for healthy and safe practices in Alberta workplaces. Changes to the OHS Act improve the OHS system to better protect workers and ensure they have the same rights and protections as other Canadian workers. These rights include:

Right to Know – This right guarantees that employees can ask questions about health and safety at work and be informed about hazards – and protections from hazards – that concern them.

Right to Participate – To participate in workplace health and safety allows employees to get involved in maintaining and improving health and safety in their own workplace.

Right to Refuse – To refuse unsafe work ensures that employees are protected from punishment or threat of punishment if they refuse to do work because of a sincere belief that work threatens their own or anyone else's health or safety.

The *Right to Participate* ensures all workers have a voice by expressing their concerns with a **Joint Work Site Health and Safety Representative**. At Resicare Society of Calgary each Group Living Home has a Health and Safety Representative working in conjunction with the management team.

Your Joint Worksite

Health and Safety Representatives are:

Sheetal Guleria – House #1 TL

Paulina Ferdyn – House #2 TL

Anthony Reyes – House #3 TL

Additional Unbiased / Neutral Representatives are:

Melissa Curran - Group Living Coordinator

Jagdeep Dhindsa - Outreach Coordinator

Annamaria Jozsa - Outreach Coordinator

This list can be found posted at all Resicare Society Worksites' Bulletin Boards

More information can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/occupational-health-safety.aspx> or by calling the **OHS Contact Centre toll free throughout Alberta 1-866-415-8690**

Resicare is a registered charity and can issue tax receipts for any donations made to the society. Any support that you are able to give is always greatly appreciated!

Current Positions Available

Please contact Nadia Kunz in HR to check current positions available within Resicare.

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