# **NEWSLETTER**



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# February 2020



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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3	4	5	6	7
NP Day Naturopath Foot Care	Dr. Day	Dental Day NP Day Naturopath (SIB)	Office closed for training	Dr. Day
10	11	12	13	14
NP Day Naturopath Foot Care	Dr. Day	Dental Day NP Day Naturopath	NP Day (SIB)	Dr. Day
17	18	19	20	21
Office closed	Dr. Day	NP Day Diabetic Ed.	NP Day (SIB) Respiratory Day (SIB) Diabetic Ed.	Dr. Day Respiratory Day
24	25	26	27	28
NP Day Foot Care (WPCIB)	Dr. Day	Dental Day NP Day Massage	NP Day (SIB) Massage (SIB) Diabetic Ed.	Dr. Day Massage





The Family Support Institute (FSI) has volunteer Resource Parents (RPs) who support by:

- Providing emotional support
- · Guiding you to community resources
- Attending meetings with you; taking notes; debriefing afterwards
- Mentoring and coaching on advocacy and more
- · Providing training opportunities
- Sharing successes, celebrating families and more!

Come learn more about FSI's model of support, their projects or even how to become a Resource Parent yourself!

Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

FSI SUPPORTS AND SERVICES ARE FREE TO ANY FAMILY.

#### JOIN US!

THURSDAY 02.20.2020
6:30 -8:00 PM
Children's Therapy &
Family Resource Centre
801 McGill Road
Kamloops BC

RSVP Tracey Beckett at (Text) 250 864-1509 tbeckett@fsibc.com

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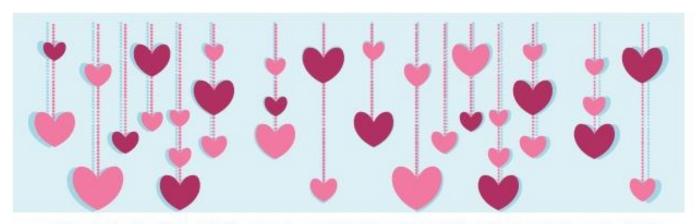




Toll Free: 1800 441 5403 Email: fsi@fsibc.com www.familysupportbc.com Family Support Institute of BC (FSI) is a provincial not-for-profit society committed to supporting families who have a family member with a disability.

FSI is unique in Canada and the only grass roots family to family organization that has a broad volunteer base.

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# COHI VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Come down to Q'wemtsin Health Society where the dental team is putting on a Valentine's Day gathering for the kids and their families



### QHS Dental Clinic

Q'wemtsín Health Society offers basic dental services for First Nations from one of the three bands: Skeetchestn, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc or Whispering pines/Clinton Indian Band.

These basic dental services include the following:

- Dental Examinations
- Digital X-rays (diagnostic imaging)
- Restorations (fillings)
- Extractions
- Preventative density
- Periodontal maintenance (cleaning)

If you would like to book an appointment; have questions about your dental health or children's dental health, feel free to drop by our office or give us a call.

For more information please call our office at 250-314-6732



# FIND US ON



facebook.com/qwemtsinhealth



qwemtsin.org

Give us a like on Facebook and stay in the loop of all our upcoming events, office updates as well as health related information.



### On Wednesday, February 26th



#### We wear PINK!

Anti-Bullying Day is a day when people wear mainly a pink shirt to symbolize a stand against bullying, an idea that originated in Canada!



#### Kinetic Kidz

An 8-week program that encourages innovation in promoting healthy, active lifestyles.

Every Wednesday starting on March 4, 2020—April 22, 2020

Time: 3:00pm-5:00pm

Grades: 6-7

Where: Q'wemtsín Health Society (130 Chilcotin Road)

#### Agenda

Week 1: Cooking class (March 4, 2020)

Week 2: Exercise class (March 11, 2020)

Week 3: Cooking class (March 18, 2020)

Week 4: Exercise class (March 25, 2020)

Week 5: Cooking class (April 1, 2020)

Week 6: Exercise class (April 8, 2020)

Week 7: Cooking class (April 15, 2020)

Week 8: Jump 360 field trip (April 22, 2020)

For more information and eligibility please call Bobbi Sasakamoose at 250-314-6732



#### Drug testing sites provided by Interior Health

Drug checking is now offered by a variety of harm reduction service providers across the region. Drug checking is offered by appointment as well as drop-ins at some locations. Call ahead to find out more about services in your community.

#### **Cranbrook - ANKORS**

209 16th Ave North

250-426-3383

#### **Living Positive Resource Centre**

255 Lawrence Avenue

778-753-5830

#### Kamloops (North Shore) - ASK Wellness

433 Tranquille Road

778-257-1292

#### Kamloops - Ask Wellness Crossroads

569 Seymour Street

250-851-0899 ext.155

#### **Merritt - ASK Wellness**

2196 Quilchena Ave

250-315-0098

#### Nelson - ANKORS

101 Baker St

250-505-5506

#### South Okanagan - South Okanagan Women in Need Society (SOWINS)

SOWINS Mobile Outreach - serves Penticton, OK Falls, Oliver, Osoyoos, Keremeos, Princeton, and Summerland.

250-809-7054

Vernon - Cammy LaFleur Street Outreach Program

2800 33 St. (downstairs access)

250-545-3572



## Office Closure

QHS will be closed on Monday, February 17th in observance to Family Day and will re-open on Tuesday, February 18th at our regular office hours of 8:30 am.

If you need medical assistance please go to the Royal Inland Hospital or dial 911



#### Kids Corner

#### Did you know?

- Elephants are the largest land mammals
- Elephants only eat plants, grass and fruit. They do not eat meat
- Elephants LOVE water
- Elephants can live up to 70 years old
- Elephants can drink up to 60 gallons of water each day! That's about 275 big bottles of coca cola
- Elephants love to swim, bathe and play in rivers



1.scorpion 2.camel 3.rhino 4.crocodile 5.hippo 6.cobra 7.elephant 8.parrot 9.ostrich

## Diabetic Conference

Come and meet the team!!!
Wednesday, March 25 - Friday, March 27, 2020
At Quaaout Lodge & Spa at Talking Rock Golf Course

Diabetic band members from TteS, SIB and WPCIB are eligible for registration. Each registrant may register one support person to share their double occupancy room.

All accommodations and meals are included.



Keynote speaker:
Art Napoleon from
Moosemeat & Marmalade
and Dr. Art Hister

Informative breakout sessions
Light activities
Traditional medicines
Door prizes!!!

Spots are limited, so please RSVP,
ASAP
If you have any question or are
wishing to register please call
(250) 314-6732
Last day to register is February 28th
at 4pm



If you have a <u>fever</u>, <u>chills</u>, <u>body aches</u>, <u>headache</u>, <u>cough</u>, <u>sore throat</u>, <u>runny nose or sneezing</u> please <u>wear a mask</u> or <u>stay home</u> until you are better!



#### To minimize your flu risk:

Wash your hands frequently or use sanitizer (it is the single most effective way of reducing the spread of infection)

<u>DO NOT</u> cough or sneeze into your hands. Use a tissue or sneeze/cough into your elbow

**DO NOT** put your fingers near your eyes, nose or mouth

Clean and disinfect frequently touched workspace surfaces

Maintain good general health (eat a balanced diet, get enough sleep, exercise in moderation)



# February is Heart Month!

#### Here are some tips on how to keep a healthy Heart!

Be smoke-free!! Being smoke free is one of the best things you can do for your heart! Smoking affects the vessels that supply blood to your heart and other parts of your body. It reduces the amount of oxygen in your blood and damages blood vessel walls.

Manage your blood cholesterol; cholesterol is a fatty substance carried in your blood. Your body needs cholesterol to be healthy, but an imbalance of cholesterol can lead to a heart attack or stroke.



Manage your blood pressure. Blood pressure isn't usually something you can feel. If it's too high it needs to be treated. Blood pressure that's high over a long time is one of the main risk factors for heart disease.

Manage your diabetes, its important to manage your diabetes to help prevent a heart attack or stroke. Over time, high blood glucose from diabetes can damage your blood vessels and the nerves that control your heart.

Be physically active, regular, moderate physical activity is great for your heart health. It's never too late to start and get the benefits.

Achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Maintaining a healthy weight can reduce the risk of heart disease and other health problems.

Enjoy a variety of nutritious foods. Eating a varied diet of healthy foods can help with your weight, blood pressure and cholesterol. Eat plenty of vegetables, fruits and wholegrains. Eat less salt! Reducing your salt intake is good for your blood pressure. Replace unhealthy fats with healthy fats.

Look after your mental health. We know that there can be a greater risk of heart disease for people who have depression, are socially isolated and do not have good social support. Having a good social life with family and friends can help.



QHS Client Satisfaction Survey Raffle!

All clients who are band members are invited to fill out a satisfaction survey in order to enter a raffle draw for a new Smart TV!

Please fill out a form at our clinic in Kamloops, Skeetchestn or email us your survey once completed!

1 entry per person

Email: qhs@qwemtsin.org

The draw will take place on Tuesday March 31, 2020 at 4:00pm.

Thank you and good luck!

#### Q'wemtsin Health Society Client Satisfaction Survey

Gender:						
<i>V</i>		Male		Female		Other
Age:		18 years or less		19-44 years		45-65 years □ 65+ years
Band:		□ TteS		SIB		WPCIB
What se	rvice	s are you accessing	g at (	L'wemtsín Hea	lth S	ociety?
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3. Do yo	u fee	l that you receive	an ac	lequate amour	nt of s	support from service providers?
4. Do the	e serv	vices meet your ex	pecta	ations? Why o	r why	y not?
5. What	chan	nges or recommend	latio	ns would you s	sugge	est for the next year?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!



# Two new depots open to allow people to donate milk for vulnerable babies

Interior health is making it easier than ever to donate human milk to help other moms and babies with the introduction of new depots in Kelowna and Kamloops.

While many breastfeeding mothers in Interior Health have donated milk through periodic milk bank drives in the community, the introduction of collection depots at the Kamloops Health Unit and the Community Health Centre in Kelowna will help more people become donors and will allow them to donate on a continuous basis.

"Two new milk depots for Kelowna and Kamloops will help infants in the very first, fragile stages of their lives, and are incredibly important for those first few days," said Health Minister Adrian Dix. "I am proud of Interior Health for making this happen and thank the selfless donors who provide milk to meet the ever-growing demand."

Human milk has many health-promoting properties for babies, including antibodies to fight infection and disease. Human milk is best for all babies. It is especially important for sick and very tiny babies.

"Screened and pasteurized donor human milk is often in high demand at hospitals across the province for premature or sick infants. While a mothers own milk is always the first choice, pasteurized donor human milk is extremely beneficial for at risk newborns, such as those born prematurely," said Rob Finch, Interior Health's Maternal, Newborn, Child & Youth Network Director. "Our sincere thanks to all those who have supported milk drives in the past for your continued dedication to the provincial milk bank and the babies it serves."

Interior Health joins the provincial network of human milk depots rounding out the number to 28 milk depots supporting the provincial Milk Bank at BC Woman's Hospital + Health Centre along with the five other B.C. health authorities. The depots provide a place to drop off raw, frozen milk, which is transported to the BC Woman's Provincial Milk Bank in Vancouver. Donors are pre-screened and the donated milk is pasteurized at the provincial milk bank distributed to hospitals throughout B.C.

"We are thrilled to have all of the health authorities support the provincial milk bank," said Stephanie Gillespie, International Board Certified Lactation Consultant at BC Woman's. "We supply mother's milk to the most fragile babies across B.C. and with the addition of these new milk depots, mothers from the Interior can more easily donate to families in need."

Pasteurized human milk is used at Interior Health neonatal intensive care units in Kamloops and Kelowna.

"Breast feeding Matters in Kamloops would like to extend both congratulations and gratitude for the many woman and friends/family members in the Kamloops area, including Ashcroft and Salmon Arm, who have freely given time and support through pumping and storing breast milk and travelling to provide donor milk for the smallest membe4rs of our communities," said Joanne Juras of Breastfeeding Matters Kamloops. The Kamloops organization and OK Breastfeeding in Kelowna have shipped hundreds of liters of breastmilk over the years.

The BC Woman's Provincial Milk Bank has been in operation for 45 years. It has helped tens of thousands of babies and children, screened more than 6,500 donors and processed 60,000 liters of milk.

New donors are always welcome to the program donors must complete the Provincial Milk Bank's pre screening process before they can donate their milk. Screening consists f telephone interview to confirm potential donors are in good health, not taking select medications and/or supplements, and willing to undergo blood testing.

For information contact 604-875-3743 or visit **bcwomens.ca** and search 'milk bank.'

Interior Health is committed to promoting health lifestyles and providing a wide range of quality healthcare services to more than 750,000 people living across B.C's vast interior. For more information, visit <u>www.interiorhealth.ca</u>

BC Women's Hospital + Health Center, a program of the Provincial Health Services Authority, is the province's only facility dedicated to the health of women, newborns and families. It is one of the country's busiest maternity centers, delivering more than 7,000 babies annually, and serves as the provincial resource for high-risk maternity care, as well as the most highly-specialized centre for the largest neonatal intensive care unit in B.C. More than 50,000 women are seen annually through its specialized women and family programs, which include world-class services in sexual assault care, medical genetics, HIV care, reproductive and sexual health, maternal substance dependency, osteoporosis and complex

chronic diseases. For more information, visit www.bcwomans.ca





# Resource Numbers



#### **Emergency Assistance**

Ambulance/Fire/Police911
Children's Hotline310-1234
Kids Helpline1-800-668-6868
Interior Crisis Line Network1-888-353-2273 (depression, poverty, abuse, homelessness, suicide)
Kamloops Urgent Response Team250-377-0088
Kamloops Mental Health Intake250-377-6500
Kamloops Street Services250-314-9771
Kamloops R.C.M.P. Victim Services250-828-3223
Kamloops Y Emergency Services
Y Women's Emergency Shelter250-374-6162
Children Who Witness Abuse250-376-7800
Outreach Service250-320-3110 (Mobile service for women and children who have experienced abuse)
Native Court Worker778-375-3289
Aboriginal Services
Q'wemtsin Health Society250-314-6732
Urban Native Health Clinic250-376-1991
Secwepemc Child and Family Services300 Chilcotin Road250-314-9669

# Road......250-314-9669 285 Seymour Street......250-461-7237

Secwepemc Cultural Education Society......778-471-5789
Native Youth Awareness Centre......250-376-1617

Aboriginal Training & Employment Centre.250-554-4556 Kamloops Native Housing Society ......250-374-7643

Secwepemc HUB......250-571-1000 Shuswap Training & Employment Program.778-471-8201

#### First Nations Health Authority

Health Benefits (Toll Free)	1-800-550-5454
Phone	1-604-693-6500
Toll Free	1-866-913-0033
Email	info@fnha.ca

#### **RCMP**

Tk'emlúps Detachment	250-314-1800
Kamloops City Detachment(Complaints General inquiries)	250-828-3000
Downtown Community Policing	250-851-9213
North Shore Community Policing	250-376-5099
Southeast District	250-828-3111
TRU Law Legal Clinic(Free Legal Advice)	778-471-8490

#### **Addictions**

Narcotics Anonymous	1-800-414-0296
Al-Anon/Alcoholics Anonymous	250-374-2456
Phoenix Centre	250-374-4684
Raven Program	250-374-4634
Sage Health Centre	250-374-6551
Smokers Health Line	1-877-455-2233
Alcohol & Drug Information & Referral	
vices	1-800-663-1441

#### **Kamloops Walk-in Clinics**

Summit Medical Clinic	250-374-9800
Kamloops Kinetic Energy	250-828-6637
Kamloops Urgent Care	250-371-4905
North Shore Health Science Centre	250-312-3280

#### **Royal Inland Hospital**

Information	250-374-5111
Admitting	250-314-2450
Emergency	250-314-2289

#### **Aboriginal Patient Navigator (RIH)**

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