

## Tentative agreement between the FIQ and the Government: vote in great numbers!

Information assemblies are currently being held in the institutions. The healthcare professionals are being asked to vote on the content of the tentative agreement during a referendum vote which will be held on February 4, or during a day of advance voting.

Watch for a notice in your institution or check with your local union team.



You can download the consultation document at <http://ententefiq2015.info/?langue=en>

### The President's blog



## “Distress is not an excuse for demagoguery”

The blog of the president of the FIQ, in response to her detractors, is online at [fiqsante.qc.ca](http://fiqsante.qc.ca).

An article to be read!

## Demonstration at CHSLD Ste-Anne de Mont-Laurier

On January 21, the president of the FIQ, Régine Laurent, joined the ranks of a demonstration of healthcare professionals in front of the



CHSLD Ste-Anne de Mont-Laurier, to support the professionals who, for many years, have been victims of intimidation and abuse from the managers of the residential living centre.

## Rally at Fleury Hospital



On January 20, the FIQ and the *Syndicat interprofessionnel d'Ahuntsic et Montréal-Nord* (SIAM) held a rally in front of Fleury Hospital to denounce the

mismanagement by the employer and its disastrous consequences for many healthcare professionals and for the quality of the care given to the public. For the occasion, the healthcare professionals from institutions in the Greater Montréal area came to indicate their support.

Régine Laurent, President of the FIQ, Roberto Bomba, Treasurer, and Line Larocque, Vice-President, were present.

## Bill No. 70: a punitive and coercive approach towards the most vulnerable

On January 24, several labour organizations got together at a press conference in Montréal, to denounce Bill 70, an

Act to allow a better match between training and jobs and to facilitate labour market entry. Public hearings on this Bill which was tabled in the National Assembly on November 10, 2015 by Minister Sam Hamad, begin on January 27.

“There is a close link between health and poverty. It is true that poverty can result from adverse conditions, like poor health, but it also generates a vicious circle because it restricts access to many resources. With these new cuts in social welfare, the Government will simply make things worse and punish those who do not have enough to survive,” stated Régine Laurent, president of the FIQ.

## Meeting with Francoise David



On January 15, representatives from the *Syndicat des professionnelles en soins du CSSS du Cœur-de-l'Île* (FIQ) met with

the MNA for Gouin and parliamentary spokesperson for *Québec solidaire*, Ms Francoise David. During this meeting, which lasted more than 2 hrs, the union representatives were able to inform the MNA about the problems for both the population served by the CSSS and for the employees in the institution.

## Le pouvoir au féminin



Learn more about the status of women in the section, *Le pouvoir au féminin*, on the website of the Federation, at:

[fiqsante.qc.ca](http://fiqsante.qc.ca).