

FIQ Accredited Training Sessions in Trois-Rivières

From October 3 to 7, 2016, in Trois-Rivières, the FIQ held a symposium of accredited training sessions for healthcare professionals from the regions of Mauricie and Centre-du-Québec. "Here at the Federation, we truly believe in the training of healthcare professionals. The training sessions we offer are accredited by the various professional orders. They allow nurses, licensed practical nurses, respiratory therapists and clinical perfusionists to better exercise their clinical leadership for the benefit of patients in the healthcare network. This, for us, is a way of taking care of caregivers," said Régine Laurent, FIQ President.



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At the founding Convention held in Nicolet on October 5 and 6, the members of the FIQ who work namely in private subsidized institutions created this new federation: the *Fédération interprofessionnelle de la santé du Québec - FIQ | Secteur privé*.

The workers of the healthcare sector working in private institutions will now be able to count on a strong voice to defend them. The FIQ and all its expertise will be put to work in order to ensure that their rights are respected and that their working conditions are improved.

The FIQ Announces Independent Consultations

Despite the fact that they had been announced and publicized, the administration of the *CISSS de l'Abitibi-Témiscamingue* has cancelled its public consultations concerning the closing of the internal mental health unit at La Sarre, so the FIQ has taken it upon itself to hire a specialized outside firm in order for them to take over this case and prepare these consultations, which will be open to all the healthcare workers and people of *Abitibi-Ouest*.

"It is unprecedented that a labour organization would have to take over this kind of legal and moral obligation for an institution that offers public services, but we simply had to address the disengagement of the administration of the CISSS-AT towards the people of this region," stated Nancy Moore, nurse vice-president of the *Syndicat des professionnelles en soins de santé des Aurores-Boréales* (SPSSAB-FIQ) in a press release published on October 7, 2016.

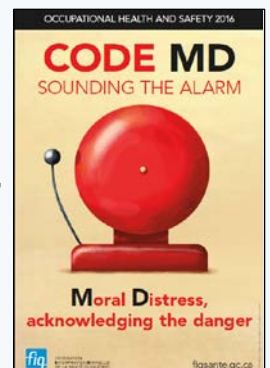


FIQ President Régine Laurent took part in a citizen protest on October 11, 2016, at La Sarre in order to support the healthcare

professionals and the people of this area. All these people came together to state, loud and clear, "No to the closure of the internal mental health unit, and no to the loss of proximity services in Abitibi-Ouest!" Ms. Laurent took this opportunity to put into question the priorities of this region's healthcare institution. "The CISSS-AT just signed \$432,000 car rental contracts for the year, yet they are making cuts in services. There is money for cars, but not for the network," denounced the president.

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From October 16 to 22 particularly, but also throughout the month of October, OHS Week will be in full swing.



For this year's edition, the OHS Committee wishes to sensitize the members of the FIQ to a little-known form of distress, which is actually quite harmful: moral distress.

Please read the latest publication of the Committee's editorial on the theme of this year's OHS Week, *CODE MD: Sounding the Alarm - Moral Distress, acknowledging the danger!* It is available at figsante.qc.ca/fr/lists/editosst.html



The FIQ's Website Gets Completely Redesigned

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