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Hi Folks,

Hope the chaos is back to being semi-controlled now that the first week back from summer has almost come to a close. An update for you:

### 1. **SCDP**

Supported Child Development continues to be a priority of our advocacy work. Please help the Association's efforts in this area via the following:

a) Complete the survey sent a couple weeks ago related to prioritization tool use and 'extra-staffing support': <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5S9N696>

b) Fill in this linked spreadsheet which asks questions related to regional base contract funding increases for SCDP: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C26QTGG>

This information is critical for some SCD specific advocacy work being lead by the Kids Can't Wait group, so your timely response is appreciated.

### 2. **SIRF**

We have been continuing our advocacy efforts with MCFD re SIRF, and collaborating to ensure the sector has an opportunity to drive the process and evolve this data collection system into something that both the sector and Government feel is valid, reliable, and representative of the work that we do. An initial step in this work will be a survey of all contracted agencies, which should come across your desk as early as next week. There will be a survey for each foundational program (i.e. EIT, IDP, etc.) and questions will touch on a variety of workplace activities, how you currently define them (i.e. – 'direct time' or 'indirect time'), how you track service provider time when doing groups, etc. The surveys are far from perfect and focus too much on the 'widget/input' side of things, but as I said it's a start of a process that I am optimistic will continue to be truly collaborative.

I do have a favour to ask as you complete the surveys. There is an 'additional comments' question near the end of each, and in this section (in addition to any other comments you may have) please take the time to talk about the need to move towards tracking outcomes that measure the impact our services have on families. One of our goals throughout this collaborative work with SIRF is to get MCFD moving away from 'widgets' and towards meaningful outcome measures. I'd really appreciate it if that theme clearly emerges when the survey results are analyzed.

### 3. **Member's Forum**

A great question/discussion currently in the forum regarding professional liability insurance. It looks as though the therapy professional colleges have increased the required amount of liability insurance beyond the

amount covered via HUB/Intact. If you have already implemented a strategy to address this please log on and contribute to the discussion.

#### **4. Fall Member's Meeting**

Draft agenda attached, just finalizing some of our MCFD guests (e.g. Deputy Minister Bond). I'd also like to dedicate some time to sharing of innovative programs and/or projects your agency is currently involved in that you'd like to share with your colleagues. The plan is for an agency to provide a 10' presentation (via powerpoint, hand-out, sing a-long...whatever medium you prefer) followed by 5' for questions. I'm already twisting the arms on a couple of you, but would like/need a couple more topics. PLEASE, if you have something your agency is doing that is new and interesting, contact me and let's share it with the group!

Also, time to RSVP and let me know if you're attending!

Hosted at the Chateau Victoria:

Call toll free 1 800 663 5891 or email [reservations@chateauvictoria.com](mailto:reservations@chateauvictoria.com).

Ask for the BC Assoc. for Child Dev & Intervention or quote confirmation number 175950.

The rate is \$99.00 + tax per night. Booked for Oct 18 & 19.

Parking is \$7.50 per vehicle per day.

Rooms held until Sept 15th

#### **5. New BCACDI Board Member!**

Very pleased to announce we have added a new BCACDI Board member! We are very pleased to inform all of you that Kim Levie, Assistant Director of the Community Connections Society of Southeast BC, has stepped up and joined the Association board! Thanks Kim!

Looking forward to seeing many of you next month in Victoria.

Regards,

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