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From: Jason Gordon [mailto:Jason@bcacdi.org]
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Hello BCACDI Member Agencies!

Hopefully the early September chaos is somewhat controlled for now:). A few updates:

1. Contracts and Funding from MCFD

We continue to have conversations with MCFD regarding the need to have any lift in funds realized via the recent collective agreements to flow to agencies as soon as possible. I've made it clear to MCFD that years of austerity have resulted in a lack on contingencies, and we have members that will have to initiate service cuts this Fall if there is further delay. On my last phone conversation with the new ADM of Finance and Corporate services for MCFD, he indicated they have found a way of expediting the process and that any new resources should make their way to agencies by the end of August. I have a follow up phone call with him this week, so please provide me an update on the following two questions:

1. Have you received all new funding your agency is entitled to via the new collective bargaining agreements? If not, what portion have you still not received?
2. Is the new Employer's Health Tax going to negatively impact your agency in 2019 (i.e. – results in increased costs)? If so, what has been the response when raising this with your local MCFD reps? What is your funding shortfall specific to EHT?

I will provide a further update after my meeting with the ADM later this week. We are also raising these issues with Minister Conroy.

2. Fall Meeting

Time to reserve your room for the BCACDI Fall Member's meeting in beautiful Kelowna. We are returning to the Manteo Resort (www.manteo.com) October 10th and 11th. Please reserve your room ASAP via the following link: <https://reservations.travelclick.com/12771?groupID=2491972>

3. Specialized Sitter Training – Fall Session

Our first training was a success and had great reviews! Please help us get the word out there for our Fall Specialized Sitter's Training. Folks can visit our website for more details: <https://www.bcacdi.org/overview>

And please feel free to share the attached pdf within your agency and with community partners!

4. Fall Federal Election

Children's Healthcare Canada has launched their election toolkit to help raise awareness of some key children's priorities. Links to their resources here:
<https://www.blog.childrenshealthcarecanada.ca/blog/2019/9/3/stand-up-for-kids-stand-up-for-canada-elxn43>

Regards,

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