

Canadian Social Workers in  
Hemophilia Care



Travailleurs sociaux canadiens  
en hémophilie

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**MEMBERSHIP:** At last year's New Team Workshop in Quebec City we had nine new social workers attend. The trend for high turnover of social workers in the Hemophilia Treatment Centers appears to continue. Since our last meeting in May 2007 we have had six new social workers come on board across Canada. This would indicate the continued need and importance of the New Team Workshops organized by the CHS to occur on a regular basis (every 2 or 3 years). Currently there are 20 social workers in Hemophilia Clinics across Canada. Most are only assigned .1 fte (or a half day a week ) in clinic.

We now go by the official title of Canadian Social Workers in Hemophilia Care, known also as CSWHC. A logo has also been developed as indicated at the top of this page. This project was spearheaded by Janice Kelly, social worker in the Saskatoon clinic, who has since moved on from this clinic.

We are very thankful as a group to have been funded to hold an annual meeting here in Saskatoon. Our sincere thanks and appreciation go out to Novo Nordisk, CSL Behring and of course CHS for there support.

#### CSWHC Projects and Initiatives

Clarke Dale wrote an article for Hemophilia Today about the CSWHC meeting in Quebec City, May 2007. It was published in Hemophilia Today Summer 2007.

There is social work representation on the CHS Program Committee ( Linda Waterhouse)

There is social work participation on the Transition Initiative lead by CHS.

Yolaine Houle will be attending with her team from the Hemophilia Clinic at Ste. Justine the WHF Congress 2008 in Istanbul. They will present on their transition initiatives in their clinic.

Social work is participating on the CHS Hemophilia and School Video Advisory Group.

Ruanna Jones attended the National Hemophilia Foundation Conference this past fall held in Orlando Florida.

Ruanna Jones was bestowed with the CHS Award of Appreciation at the CHS Awards Banquet held in Ottawa this past November 2007.

## ONGOING PROJECTS

CSWHC are currently working on the following projects:

Updated Hemophilia Social Work brochure for clinics.

CSWHC Standards of Practice

Orientation manual for new hemophilia social workers

Various transition initiatives across the country

A CSWHC web page linked with the CHS website.

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