THE VILLAGE NEWS

WEEKLY UPDATE

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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HRM Bike Week 2012

May 25—June 3

"The HRM Bike Week aims to celebrate, educate and increase participation in all types of cycling throughout the region." -www.halifax.ca

For more information and scheduling of this event please visit:
http://www.halifax.ca/bikeweek/index.html

MEC BikeFest

The IWK Recreation Therapy Department will also be participating in MEC BikeFest on *Sunday May 27*! Come out to see all kinds of unique and adaptive bikes!

For more information of the MEC BikeFest Halifax, visit: **http://blog.mec.ca/events/mec-Bikefest/mec-bikefest-halifax/**

Contact us at:

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Check out the IWK Website at www.iwk.nshealth.ca

IWK Health Centre
Pediatric Rehabilitation Service

Did You Know?

The following is a list of current IWK Patient/Family Advisor Role opportunities you might be interested in pursuing. They will be updated on the IWK website on a regular basis as new opportunities become available, and removed as positions are filled.

Patient/Family Advisors have busy lives, and sometimes are working with illness and/or other issues in their lives, so if they need to step away from their role postings may re-appear. Further, postings such as the Family Leadership Council are always open for applications as this is a representational Council made up of patients and families from across all three programs of the IWK.

Call for Patient/Family Advisors:
Family Leadership Council
Youth Advisory Council
Ambulatory Care Review Advisory Council
Hematology/Oncology Interdisciplinary Committee (HOIC)
Signage and Way Finding Committee (description coming soon)
Capital Planning and Oversight Committee

How to Apply

Patient/Family Advisor Role
If you are interested in becoming a Patient or Family Advisor at the IWK Health Centre, please take a moment to fill out the General Application for Patient/Family Advisors and indicate which role(s) interest you. Found at www.iwk.nshealth.ca.

If you do not feel a fit with the current opportunities, but are still interested in becoming a Patient/Family Advisor with the IWK, please apply and indicate your areas of interest – perhaps based on your professional experience or experience as a patient/family member. New roles pop up frequently.

Become a Member of The Exchange
Applying is easy, and so is participating as an Advisor from home! Any time of the day or night, from where ever you are in the Maritime Provinces: whatever works for you. If you have had experience as a patient or family member, the IWK wants to partner with you.

Congratulations to SCRI Society "The Club". They are being awarded the Mel Hebb Hourglass Community Action Award, in recognition of their contribution to the lives of persons who have disabilities. Club members, volunteers, friends and families will be accepting their award at Province House on May 28th, 2012 as part of the Provincial Access Awareness Proclamation Ceremony.

Adapted Recreational Day Camps

Summer 2012

Take PART adapted recreational programs offer fun, active, and exciting ways **to engage those with various levels of ability in leisure and recreational activities**.

- This program is offered to children and teens throughout communities in Nova Scotia who would benefit from, or have an interest in adapted activity programs.
- Participants will be encouraged to increase their physical activity levels through noncompetitive activities such as wheelchair basketball and bocce ball
- Take PART day camps will be taking place throughout communities in Nova Scotia during the summer months

To find out more about this great oppourtunity please feel free to contact Matt Andrews at **453-6000 ext. 234** or send an email to takepart@easterseals.ns.ca with "summer camp" in the subject heading.

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www.easterseals.ns.ca

WORKSHOP

Transforming Parent-Child Interaction in Family Routines with Positive Behaviour Support

IWK Health Centre
June 21-22, 2012
8:30AM—4:30PM

Psychological Services at the IWK Health Centre is delighted to bring this engaging and informative speaker to the Maritimes. This workshop will be of interest to professionals and families who work/live with children with developmental disabilities.

The Goals of this Workshop:

There are two primary goals to this workshop:

First, the workshop aims to help professionals and families understand how problematic parent-child interaction can develop in typical family routines in the home and community, such as:

- getting ready for school in the morning
- child free time while a parent is busy
- transitions outside of the house
- grocery shopping
- visiting a local park

Second, the workshop aims to provide introductory knowledge about how to develop and implement family centered, positive behaviour support (PBS) plans that transform problematic parent-child interaction in Unsuccessful family routines into constructive parent-child interaction in successful family routines.

Registration Fee:

Before June 1st $150 ($75 for students & families)
After June 1st $175 ($100 for students & families)

Registration includes two nutrition breaks and extensive handouts: lunch is on your own.

Please register early ~ Space is limited.

Registration Form can be downloaded from the IWK website under Psychology Services or by contacting

Theresa Colbear (902) 470-8924 or theresa.colbear@iwk.nshealth.ca

LAUNCH

Date: Tuesday, May 29th, 2012

Time: 6:45pm to 8:30pm

Location: The Club—St. James Anglican Church

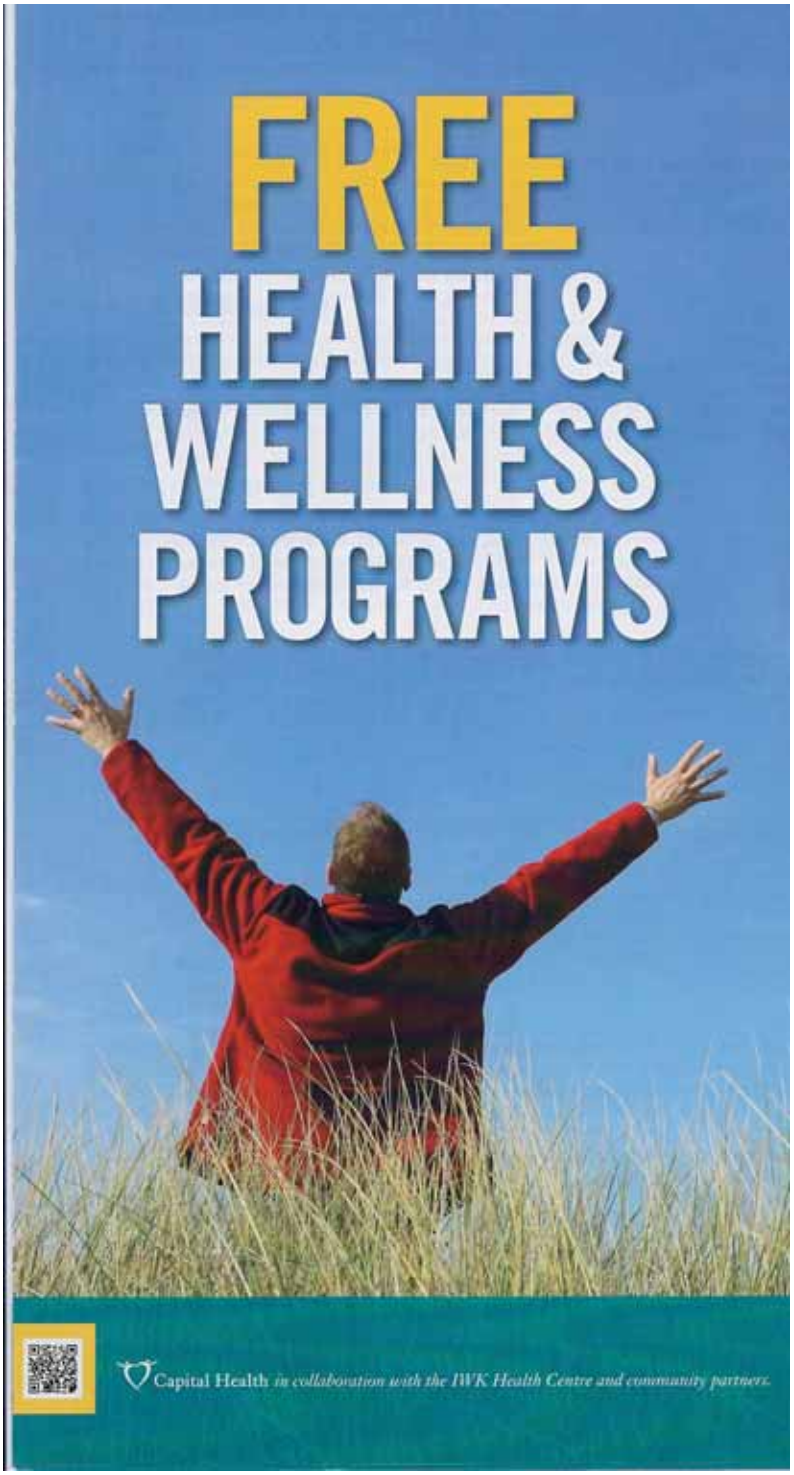
Criteria: Caregivers with a son/daughter in junior high or high school with a physical disability, acquired brain injury or brain tumor

Cost: FREE

Topic: Human Rights Legislation in NS

Please join us as we welcome David Shannon—CEO of the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission. David is the author of Six Degrees of Dignity: Disability in an Age of Freedom. He has practiced Law in Ontario. David is a person with quadriplegia as a result of a spinal cord injury at the age of 18. He can provide information regarding Human Rights legislation in Nova Scotia.

Please RSVP to Kim Clarke
kim.clarke@iwk.nshealth.ca or 902-470-7039



Join the IWK Neuro Response Team for a session on concussions. Find out the signs and symptoms of a concussion, return to play guidelines for your child, questions to ask your health care provider, and resources to help find more information.

Please call 470-7039 to register.

Monday, May 28th, 2012
5:30pm to 7:00pm
Chebucto Wellness Centre
16 Dentith Road (next to Lawtons)

Tuesday, June 5th, 2012
6:00pm to 7:30pm
58 Tacoma Dr. (next to Sobey's)

Communityhealthteams.ca

NOTICE OF INTEREST & CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

TRICK-OR-TREAT-ABLE

Coming to Halifax,

October 31, 2012

Hi Folks,

My name is Nicole McDonald and I am working with Easter Seals on a program to enable kids and youth who have a physical disability to actually go knocking door to door this Halloween. I know that October seems a long way away, but we will need to know if there is enough interest to proceed with the project.

The plan is to:

- Find wheelchair accessible properties, and tenants who would like to participate
- Find volunteers to assist with the event
- The project will take place in the city of Halifax

We are looking for kids who have a mobility challenge, and are interested in this experience. If you, or your child, is interested please contact me with the following information:

- ✓ Age
- ✓ Disability
- ✓ Will you want to be with an able bodied friend or sibling? Please indicate the number of participants (1 or2)

Send me an e-mail at nicolemcdonald1967@hotmail.ca with Trick-or-Treat-Able in the subject line. Please respond by June 15, 2012.

Happy Halloween

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