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Alberta and Northwest Territories Monthly Newsletter

COVID-19 Update from the Society

The Society continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation and has the following updates:

Office Hours

With the return of the staff team to provide member support we are pleased to notify you that we will be increasing our business hours to 9-4:30pm Monday to Friday starting Monday, August 17, 2020. For the safety of our employees the Lifesaving Society office will remain closed to the public but curbside pickup and reception hours will be expanded to the new business hours.

Staff Changes

The Lifesaving Society is pleased to announce that Madison Lalonde has been promoted to Member Relations Manager, Jonathan Kusyanto has been promoted to Program and Development Manager, and Merritt Gallagher has been promoted to Finance Manager.

New Medical Advisor

The Lifesaving Society is pleased to announce our new Medical Advisor, Dr. Anthony Seto. The Medical Advisor is responsible for providing advice, guidance and approval of all First Aid Program Content.

Certification Extensions

The Society will support the extension of Lifesaving Society Certifications for individuals who would have been due to recertify after March 1, 2020. Implementing this policy means that certifications whose currency period would have ended between March 1, 2020 and June 12, 2020 will have their currency extended until September 12, 2020. In addition, we will extend certification's certifications whose currency period would have ended between June 13, 2020 and August 31, 2020 to October 31, 2020 as we understand it may take some time for programming to resume as facilities relaunch operations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Lifesaving Society at experts@lifesaving.org.

National Drowning Prevention Week

National Drowning Prevention Week was July 19 - 25, 2020.

Thank you to the Aquatic facilities and communities who were active on Social Media sharing and promoting Water Smart key messages.

11 National Drowning Prevention Week proclamations were issued from communities across Alberta and the Northwest Territories! All proclamations can be viewed on our [website](#). Our sincere thanks to the Chiefs, Mayors, Reeves and their Councils for the support on this important national public awareness initiative.

Training Programs

Trainer Recertification

Online - August 15, 2020

Register at <http://courses.lifesaving.org>

[St. Albert](#) - November 21, 2020

Location: Fountain Park Recreation Centre

Trainer Course

Online - September 18, 2020

Register at <http://courses.lifesaving.org>

Candidates must complete the [Trainer Application Form](#) and forward to the Society's office for approval prior to registering for clinic.

Online Training Academy

The Lifesaving Society has officially launched the new Online Academy! Visit <https://courses.lifesaving.org> to access the online learning academy and register in the available courses.

New Products

The following products are now available to order from our [online shop](#):

[Viral Filter for CPR Pocket Mask](#)

This one way valve and directional diaphragm prevents back-flow of air and contaminants while using a CPR Pocket Mask. These filters are specially designed viral and bacterial filters for extra protection. These filters prevent (99.2%) of transmission of droplets and aerosolized particles between the patient.

[Viral Filter for Bag Valve Mask](#)

This one way valve and directional diaphragm prevents back-flow of air and contaminants while using a Bag Valve Mask. These filters are specially designed viral and bacterial filters for extra protection. These filters prevent (99.2%) of transmission of droplets and aerosolized particles between the patient.

[Non-Medical Occupational Safety Masks](#)

The Lifesaving Society has limited stock of non-medical occupational face masks for its Affiliate Delivery Partners and Members. The masks are made in Canada and consist of a 3 sheet mask with anti-bacterial filter. Sold in packages of 50 masks.

[Reusable Anti-Fog Face Shields](#)

These face shields assist in protecting the full facial area against cough droplets, sprays and splatter of body fluid. Anti-fog design makes the shields optically clear with high-level scratch resistance. The shields are designed for extended, all day wear and breathable construction for maximum air circulation. They are lightweight (0.2 lbs) and outfitted with a soft foam comfort headband that has a fully adjustable Velcro strap to fit all head sizes. The shields are fully washable for disinfecting and reusable.

Job Postings

The Lifesaving Society Alberta and Northwest Territories Branch is looking for individuals to fill the following positions:

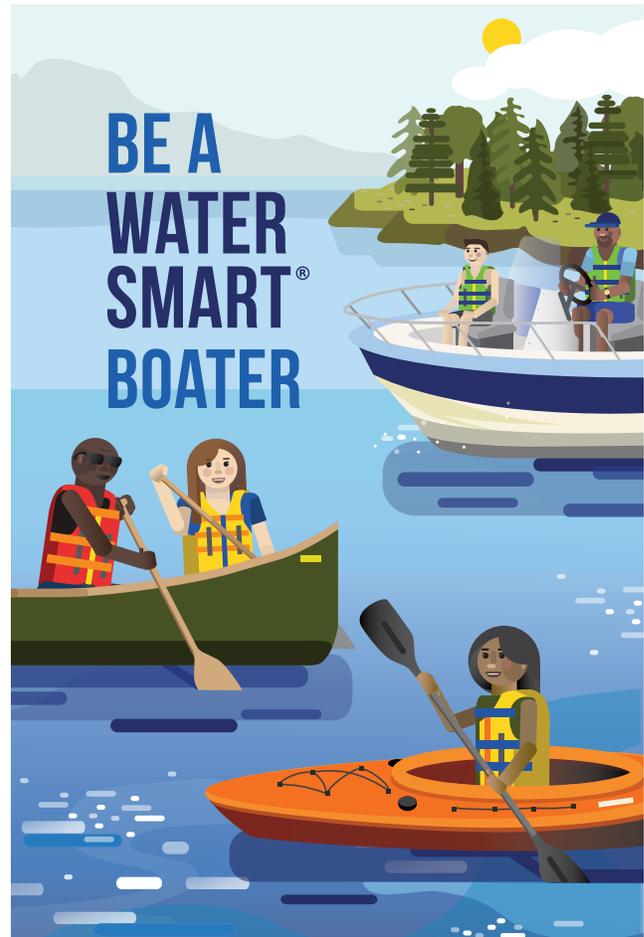
Water Smart Coordinator

The Water Smart Coordinator will assist in the promotion and delivery of the Society's Water Smart public education programs. Tasks include attending and supporting community Water Smart activations, sharing Water Smart public education materials and creating event reports. The Water Smart Coordinator will support community champions and provide education and training with respect to the Society's Water Smart campaign.

Data Entry Clerk

The Data Entry Clerk will complete data entry into our Member Management system, online learning academy, online store, and financial systems. Tasks include entering data, answering phones, responding to member inquires, shipping and receiving support, and printing of resources.

View the full Job Descriptions at <https://www.lifesaving.org/member-services/find-a-job>.



Return to Sport Webinar

The Lifesaving Society will be hosting an online webinar for Affiliate Delivery Partners running Lifesaving Sport Clubs to provide key updates on the 2020-2021 season. If your facility is planning on running a Lifesaving Sport Club for this season please mark your calendar for the following date:

Wednesday, August 19th, 2020 at 1:00pm

Affiliate representatives and coaches are encouraged to join.

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OXoF9R9Q_aEYM0d4UTbWA

A communique with further details will be sent.

Find A Course

As facilities are starting to re-open, the Lifesaving Society is getting a high volume of inquiries for what courses are being offered. Please login to 'Members Only' and up-date your facilities courses under 'Course Management'. It is likely there are courses posted on Find A Course that are no longer running due to COVID-19, and potentially some up-coming courses that haven't been posted yet. Keeping 'Find a Course' current helps you in advertising up-to-date course information. Please contact the Lifesaving Society office if you have any questions about updating Find A Course postings.