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Message from the CEO

Collecting "Norma Moments"

From the moment I took this job, I've been hearing about the person who held the position before me for almost 20 years and who helped make ASPECT what it is today: Norma Strachan. As you may know, Norma retired this June and we are planning to celebrate her contribution to the employment sector at the ASPECT BC conference on the evening of November 3rd at the Delta Victoria Ocean Pointe Resort and Spa.

Whether or not you are able to make it to this networking event and celebration, we are collecting stories from everyone who has worked with Norma over the years. From what I've heard so far, there are some interesting ones! We will compile the stories into a book and present it to Norma.

Please [email us](#) your stories, call us and we'll record it, or just send photos if you have any. The deadline for submissions is October 15th.

Regards,
[Janet Morris-Reade](#)



Help us honour Norma's contribution to ASPECT by sharing your "[Norma Moments](#)" with us.

Program creates opportunities

Posted by The Morning Star

With strong demand for construction trades workers, Okanagan College is offering a second intake of a program designed to help aboriginal students build job site skills, gain apprenticeship training and get on the fast track to employment.

[Click to read more.](#)

Canadians with disabilities need real work, real pay, real leadership

Posted by The Globe & Mail

More than 400,000 working-age adults with physical or mental disabilities are currently unemployed in Canada, despite being willing and able to participate in the labour force.

[Click to read more.](#)

BC's Profound Moral Failure on Disability Rates

Posted by The Tyee

Mostly, government decisions reflect politics and pragmatism. But sometimes - like the BC Liberals' handling of an increase in support for people on disability assistance - they reflect a basic moral failure.

[Click to read more.](#)

B.C. sets sights on clean tech, digital media to create jobs for next generation

Posted by the Vancouver Sun

The B.C. government said Tuesday it plans to focus on clean technology, life sciences, digital media and advanced manufacturing in the next stage of its B.C. Jobs plan in a bid for economic growth and more long-term and high-paying jobs for the younger generation.

[Click to read more.](#)

Canada-B.C. Job Grant Application Intake Dates

As a delivery partner, ASPECT can assist with CJG applications under three streams of funding to which eligible employers can apply:

Current Intake	Accepting Applications	Training Start Dates
Open - Now		
Priority Sector Stream	July 18 - December 31, 2016	October 1- December 31, 2016
Underrepresented	Until December 31, 2016	Until December 31, 2016
Unemployed		
Refugee		
Opens October 1, 2016		
All Funding Streams	October 1 - December 31, 2016	January 1 - March 31, 2017

For full details and eligibility go to aspectcanadabcjobgrant.ca

ASPECT 2016 Provincial Conference - Registration is now open!



ASPECT 2016 Provincial Conference
 NOVEMBER 3 & 4, 2016
 DELTA OCEAN POINTE RESORT
 VICTORIA, BC

Whether you are frontline staff or management in the employment sector, there is something at this conference for you.



Conference registration is now open!
 The full program and registration details are on the website.

www.ASPECTConference.ca

ASPECT Member Agency Job Postings

Did you know that over 50% of the clicks in our weekly news brief are for job postings? Send us your agency's postings to be included.

Wraparound Counsellor
 Pacific Community Resources, Vancouver
 Closes: September 7, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Early Childhood Educator Assistant

Chilliwack Community Services
Closes: September 7, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Facilities Maintenance Worker
ISS of BC, Drake Location
Closes: September 6, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Client Advisor - Customized Employment Developer
Beacon Community Services, Sidney, BC
Closes: September 5, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Employment Specialist
Vancouver Island Vocational and Rehabilitation Services Ltd, Courtenay, BC
Closes September 30, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Employment Specialist - Future Leaders
DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes: September 8, 2016
[Click for Details.](#)

Employment Specialist - Syrian Refugee Youth Job Club
DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes: September 8, 2016
[Click for Details.](#)

Employment Specialist - EPBC itinerant service to immigrants/refugees
DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes: September 8, 2016
[Click for Details.](#)

Early Childhood Educator
DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes: September 6, 2016
[Click for Details.](#)

To have your job opportunity included in the newsletter, please send the details including a link to your posting to nreich@aspect.bc.ca.

Professional Development Events

The CAPLA RPL Boot Camp
October 14 & 15, 2016
The Grand Hotel & Suites, Toronto, ON

CAPLA's recognition of prior learning (RPL) Boot Camp is for the brave, strong and disruptive innovator who wants to improve the way we acknowledge learning in Canada!

[Click here for more information.](#)

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2017 Cannexus Conference

January 23-25, 2017

Shaw Centre, Ottawa, ON

Come together with more than 900 of your peers to exchange information and explore innovative approaches in the areas of career counselling and career development.

Register now: <http://cannexus.ca/registration/>

ASPECT Tour Dates

ASPECT is hitting the road!

- Aug 15-18: Kootenays - Thank you for your time!
- Aug 21-27: North & Central - Thank you for your time!
- Sept 12-15: Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
- Sept 19-22: Vancouver Island
- Sept 26-30: Caribou-Thompson-Okanagan
- Oct 3-7: Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
- Oct 11-14: Victoria & Area

Health Tips from the ASPECT BC Benefits Plan

Start your morning off right!

Breakfast boosts memory, improves your mood, and can help control your weight. A number of research studies have found that students who eat breakfast score higher on tests. The same is true for adults. People who eat breakfast also are generally thinner. Start the day with a healthy breakfast like high-fiber cereal or oatmeal and a glass of juice. If you're not much of a breakfast eater, try having a "smoothie" for your morning meal-blend a banana, low-fat yogurt, and orange juice together.

The ASPECT Health Benefits program is available to [ASPECT members](#) and is delivered by our partner, Delta Pacific Benefits Brokers. For more information please contact [Christopher Block](#) directly:

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