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Renewing our collective agreement

A SLOW START TO THE BARGAINING PROCESS

We filed our financial and non-monetary demands in Québec on February 18, but we have yet to meet with our counterparts at the ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (MSSS).

It seems that government negotiators haven't been given the necessary mandates to begin negotiating our collective agreement, which has been expired since March 31, 2015. A first meeting is supposed to take place at the end of April but has yet to be confirmed.

We, on the other hand, are fully mandated to bring these negotiations to a conclusion. We are more than ready to resume talks in order to reach a satisfactory agreement for our members, who are seeking significant improvements to their living and working conditions.

To read the MSSS's info-négos, please visit **www.cpnsss.gouv.qc.ca/rirtf** under "Publications et outils" (available in French only).

BARGAINING COMMITTEE ELECTION

Following Carole Renaud's resignation, there's a position available on the National Bargaining Committee.

Carole has decided to focus all her efforts on advocating for RI-RTFs in her region. She has been fighting for the rights of RIs and RTFs since our first unions were started in 2000, and has also been an active member of the national bargaining committee since 2009.

We would like to thank Ms. Renaud for her dedicated service and wish her the very best as she continues her work defending members in her region.

There will be an election to fill the position at the closing of the first day of the upcoming Féderation de la santé et des services sociaux convention on May 12, 2015. You will receive more information on the election in the mail along with a notice of meeting for the convention.

MORE THAN 400 NEW RESOURCES HAVE JOINED THE CSN

More than 400 Intermediate Resources and Foster families have joined the CSN since the end of the raiding period that lasted from December 31, 2014 to January 30, 2015.

Two new unions representing RIs and RTFs in the Lanaudière and Bas Saint-Laurent regions have been certified by the Commission des relations du travail (CRT). These Resources left the FFARIQ because they had become increasing unsatisfied with the federation. We wish them a very warm welcome to the Confédération des syndicats nationaux.

