

**Anglophone New Brunswick Director's Report**  
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**Abstract**

- Information session for University of New Brunswick MEd Counselling students
- New Brunswick is continuing to work on Counsellor Regulation in the province
- Updated New Brunswick Anglophone members on Regulation information from the Federation
- Promoted the CCPA annual conference, CCPA awards and professional development opportunities
- Answered and directed questions or concerns of members and potential members in the province
- Member of Awards Committee

**Connections and Communications**

In March I assisted the two student representatives from the University of New Brunswick with their "Student Counsellor Associations and Information" meeting. This was an evening event which included a presentation to the University of New Brunswick M.Ed. Counselling students on the benefits of becoming a student member and future CCPA member. Resources and information on CCPA were made available and students were encouraged to contact me or the student representatives with any future questions they may have. Since September I have continued to stay in contact with the University of New Brunswick CCPA student representatives keeping student members and potential members informed of workshops, professional development, CCPA Annual Conference information, and awards.

Much of the correspondence to and from members and potential members was regarding regulation in New Brunswick, membership benefits, answering and directing questions and promoting the CCPA annual Conference in Niagara Falls.

In the past few months our primary focus on the awards committee has been on making changes to the Awards program in celebration of CCPA's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As a member of the awards committee I have been involved in the process of establishing awards selection committees for the CCPA Awards being recognized in May 2015.

**Contributions and Celebrations**

In New Brunswick the push for a Bill for counsellor regulation is being spear-headed by the Federation working group which is made up of representatives from NBACT (New Brunswick Association of Counselling Therapists), AFCONB (Association francophone des conseillères et des conseillers en orientation du N.-B.) and NBPCA (New Brunswick Professional Counsellors Association). The intention of the Bill is to form a College of Counselling Therapists and Career Counsellors with the desire to protect these titles in both official languages. The Federation has worked with the Department of Health to fine-tune the draft Bill as well as the Minister of Health and his staff to discuss the mandate of the Federation. Several rounds of consultations and meetings with other

health professions, stakeholders and MLAs have taken place and are ongoing. Several months ago the Federation hired a lawyer with experience in Private Members Bills and they are hopeful that the first reading of the Bill will occur in the Fall of 2015.

The CCPA Anglophone membership in New Brunswick is currently at 236 members, a significant increase from 213 Anglophone members in May 2013.

### **Coming Attractions**

I have had the privilege of being a part of this exceptional Board of Directors for the past two years and I am blessed to have worked alongside such dedicated and committed colleagues. I have thoroughly enjoyed connecting with the NB Anglophone members as well as CCPA members across the country. This has been a very valuable and gratifying professional opportunity for which I am extremely grateful. Although I am sorry to have my term come to an end, I am happy to be passing this opportunity on to a very capable individual who will undoubtedly prove to be an excellent director.