

**Manitoba/Nunavut Director Report**  
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**Abstract**

As my first term draws to a close, I am looking forward to continuing as Manitoba and Nunavut Regional Director on the National Board. As my understanding of the CCPA has grown, so too has my commitment and passion for serving the profession in the interest of those we seek to help. The past six months have been a time of consistent participation in monthly board meetings, chairing the Quality Assurance and Sustainability Committee, attending Manitoba Chapter Executive meetings, participating in the new Winnipeg Conference Committee, connecting with the University of Manitoba Counselling Program, and hearing from more counsellors. My priorities for the coming two years, beyond regular duties, are to support the National Conference being held in Winnipeg, May 10-13, 2018, and to expand professional development and networking in regions outside the city of Winnipeg. I will continue to follow the regulation process and liaison with the Manitoba Chapter.

**Résumé**

À l'approche de la fin de mon premier mandat, je souhaite poursuivre au sein du CA national à titre d'administratrice régionale pour le Manitoba et le Nunavut. Tout comme ma connaissance de l'ACCP s'est accrue, mon engagement et ma passion au service de la profession se sont aussi bonifiés dans l'intérêt des personnes qui ont besoin d'aide. Au cours des six derniers mois, j'ai participé assidûment aux réunions mensuelles du CA, j'ai présidé le Comité assurance de la qualité et viabilité, j'ai assisté aux réunions du Comité de direction de la Section du Manitoba, du nouveau Comité du congrès de Winnipeg, j'ai tissé des liens avec les responsables du programme de counseling de l'Université du Manitoba et j'ai recueilli les commentaires de plusieurs conseillers et conseillères. Pour les deux années à venir, outre mes tâches de base, mes priorités consisteront à collaborer au Congrès national, qui se tiendra du 10 au 13 mai 2018 à Winnipeg, et à bonifier le perfectionnement et le réseautage professionnels dans les régions à l'extérieur de Winnipeg. Je continuerai d'assurer le suivi de la démarche de réglementation et la liaison avec la Section du Manitoba.

**Connections and Communications**

I am excited about the number of responses I received following my letter to Manitoba and Nunavut CCPA members inviting input for the selection of conference key note speakers. I hope to follow up the email and LinkedIn communication with in-person meetings. This allows interested counsellors to be more actively involved, and the CCPA to more accurately support its members. The discussions are enriching as we each bring a diversity of knowledge, skills, experience, and networks to the table.

The Manitoba Chapter held elections at its recent .AGM. I had the privilege of connecting with new executive as well as new members and look forward to working with them to plan professional development and socializing opportunities.

I have been communicating with this semester's head of the MEd. counselling program at U of M and look forward to meeting with her on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017.

Now that FACT-MB has been established, I remain informed about progress on regulation through the reports of our voting and alternate members at Manitoba Chapter Executive meetings.

In January, I joined the new Winnipeg 2018 Conference Committee. This has been another excellent opportunity to expand my network of connections within the CCPA and beyond.

### **Contributions and Celebrations**

There has been significant forward movement in the regulation process with the creation of FACT-MB.

More CCPA members are getting involved, joining the chapter, and communicating with the regional director.

### **Concerns and Challenges**

The search for student representatives has not yet been successful. While there has been interest, those who considered participating found their schedules too full.

Meeting with faculty members in university programs continues to be challenging, partly due to the recent strike at the University of Manitoba, and also because leadership of the program rotates between different faculty members.

### **Coming Attractions**

We are looking forward to hosting the 2018 National Conference next May! It is my hope to take advantage of this opportunity to raise the profile of CCPA counsellors in Winnipeg and Manitoba, and to promote the strengths of our region to the greater counselling community.

Following the success of the BC Regional Professional Development and Networking Outreach, we hope to be part of a northern outreach initiative in communities across the Prairie Provinces and northwestern Ontario.

As regulation and third party billing move forward across the country, I anticipate increasing awareness, recognition and support of counselling in Manitoba.

Respectfully submitted,

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