

Quebec Health Record: implicit consent and smart cards on the menu

On April 29, the FIQ tabled a brief at the Social Affairs Committee within the context of the study of Bill 70, *An Act to amend the Act respecting health services and social services, the Health Insurance Act and the Act respecting the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec*. The FIQ wanted to use these parliamentary committee hearings as an opportunity to make observations on the content of Bill 70, based on the orientations and positions it has adopted concerning the implementation of the Quebec Health Record. The FIQ's brief is available at <www.fiqsante.qc.ca>.

Major Quebec-wide demonstration

Despite the relatively inclement weather, a large number of activists demonstrated in the streets of Montreal on May 3 to show that they are "together for health". Many FIQ representatives took part in this rally organized in the context of International Workers' Day.



2008 Convention

Information regarding the FIQ Convention, to be held from June 2 to 6, is now offered on the FIQ website: technical information, positions up for election and documents available.

You can access this information via the FIQ website home page or at:

<www.fiqsante.qc.ca/convention>

The FIQ calls for the repatriation of Omar Khadr

The FIQ has added its voice to those of various groups supporting the Bloc Québécois petition calling on the Government of Canada to repatriate Omar Khadr so that he can be judged in his own country by his peers. The treatment reserved for this Canadian citizen, arrested at age 15 and imprisoned since 2002 at Guantanamo, a prison camp at the U.S. naval base in Cuba, is unjust and contravenes the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, which Canada has signed..

World March of Women in Quebec City

This May 31, women and women's groups from every region of Quebec are invited to mobilize for the major Quebec-wide action closing the campaign for women's economic autonomy of the Quebec Coordinating Committee of the World March of Women. The elimination of women's poverty isn't a question of charity, but a question of women's rights and human rights. All details on <www.ffq.qc.ca>.

Coming events

05.19

Respiratory Therapists Day

05.26

Perfusionists Day

05.31

Major demonstration of the World March of Women, Quebec City

06.02 to 06.06

8th Convention of the FIQ