

## 8<sup>th</sup> Convention of the FIQ

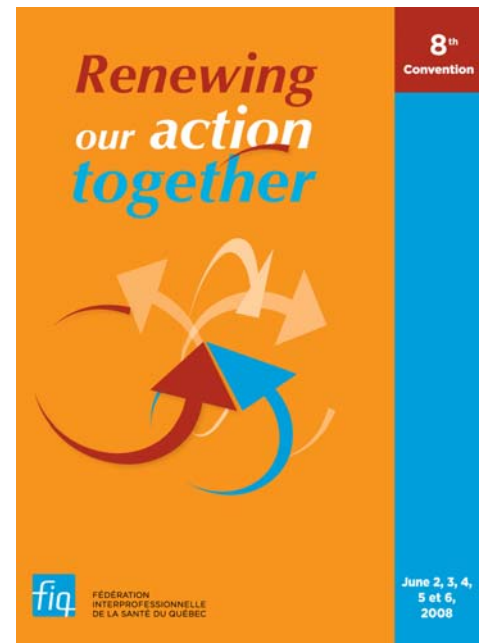
From June 2 to 6, 2008, Hôtel des Seigneurs, Saint-Hyacinthe

For one week, delegates representing care professionals from every region of Quebec will meet to define their organization's orientations for the next three years.

Every day of the Convention, a special edition of *FIQ Express* will summarize the day's activities. To receive a notice by email as soon as a new FIQ Express is available, all you have to do is add your name to the distribution list.

On the agenda:

- Executive Committee report on the highlights of the past three years
- Activity reports of the sectors, services and committees
- Election of the members of the statutory committees (including the Executive Committee) and the standing committees
- Conferences
- Workshops
- Etc.



For more information, visit <[www.fiqsante.qc.ca/convention](http://www.fiqsante.qc.ca/convention)>.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Chaoulli judgment

To mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the judgment rendered by the Supreme Court of Canada in the Chaoulli case, Coalition Solidarité Santé is organizing a demonstration in Montreal. It must be remembered that this historic judgment now allows contracting of private insurance to pay for medical care administered by the private sector. This was the first breach, opening the door to privatization of the Quebec health-care network. This June 9, people from the Montreal region and everywhere else are therefore invited to demonstrate in support of the public, free and universal health-care system.

When: Monday, June 9 at 12 noon

Where: in front of Clinique Rockland MD located at 100 Rockland Road, Town of Mount Royal (Acadie Métro)

## Health Month in the institutions

Within the context of Health Month, activities were organized in different Quebec health-care institutions, particularly at CSSS Pierre-Boucher.



### Intersyndicale des femmes

Annual meeting of the Status of Women Committees

On May 22, the annual meeting of the status of women committees of the *Intersyndicale des femmes* was held in Quebec City. Several FIQ representatives and activists were present.

Among other business, a report on the *Intersyndicale's* achievements was presented. The participants also were able to attend two conferences, including one by Louise Desmarais, an activist for freedom of choice regarding abortion. In the context of the Conservative MP Ken Epps' private Bill C-484, the *Unborn Victims of Violence Act*, the choice of this topic was particularly relevant.

## Local Negotiations

Report as of May 27, 2008

125 agreements signed

14 mediation-arbitrations

5 negotiations in progress