

## **Round table on the new CHUM**

Lina Bonamie, President of the FIQ, participated in a round table on the controversial construction project for the new CHUM. This round table was held on Monday, September 15 on 98.5 FM.



M<sup>e</sup> Paul G. Brunet, Dr. Louis Godin, Isabelle Maréchal (moderator), Lina Bonamie and Dr. Gaétan Barrette.

In addition to the President of the FIQ, participants in the round table included: Me Paul G. Brunet, President of the Conseil pour la protection des malades, Dr. Louis Godin, President of the Federation of General Practitioners of Québec (FMOQ) and Dr. Gaétan Barrette, President of the Federation of Medical Specialists of Québec (FMSQ). The President of the FIQ denounced the flagrant lack of information from the CHUM administration about the hospital's future to the various stakeholders, and particularly to health-care professionals, the people primarily involved in providing care to patients.

## The President of the FIQ meets the new Minister of Health

Lina Bonamie, President of the FIQ, yesterday (September 16) had a discussion with the new Quebec Minister of Health and Social Services, Dr. Yves Bolduc. The President informed him of her concerns about privatization, workforce planning, the organization of work and the workload of care professionals. The Minister reaffirmed his commitment to the public system. The Minister also said he is very concerned about the staff shortage in the health-care network and wants to hear solutions to lighten the load on caregivers. Stay tuned.

## September 28: Canada-Wide Day of Protest Against C-484

Don't forget the demonstration on September 28. The marchers will gather on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Parc La Haie at the corner of Boulevards St-Joseph and St-Laurent, departing at 2:00 p.m. For union reps who don't live in Montreal and who need transportation, contact your FIQ regional office. You must register no later than September 23 at 6:00 p.m. to ensure good planning of transportation.



**Coming event** 

10.19.08 to 10.25.08

Annual OHS Week on the theme "Speed hurts"