

The FIQ launches a publicity campaign

A television and poster campaign is currently in full force throughout Quebec. The theme is: "Private interests are profiting from public healthcare. The Ministry of Health is letting it happen. We're all paying for it." The FIQ has also published, and sent to all the members, a special report on the private healthcare employment agencies.



The FIQ is inviting its members and all the public to mobilize in order to stop the growth of private agencies in the public health network. It must be remembered that it is the loyalty

of care professionals to the public health network and the development of a feeling of belonging to their institution that contributes to the quality, safety and continuity of care.

If you have not already had the opportunity to see the televised publicity, go to the Federation web site to see it, read the special report and get all the details on the publicity campaign!

You feel like making comments or sharing your opinion? Go to the Facebook page "FIQ Santé"!

Important gathering of the Common Front negotiation decision-making bodies



Never seen in the history of the union movement

The important gathering of the Common Front negotiation decision-making bodies took place in Quebec City on February 22. The 3,000 representatives came to the Parliament buildings to demonstrate their dissatisfaction with the management offers before attending an important gathering at which three reputable speakers addressed the gathering.

Stickers with the slogan, "TIME IS FLYING" were distributed to all the Common Front organizations in order to mark this meeting of the negotiation decision-making bodies. Go to the Federation web site under the heading, Info Négociations, for more details and to see the photos taken that day.

March 8, 2010 - International Women's Day: In 2010, we're on the march!

International Women's Day is taking on a special appearance. It will be the opportunity to launch the third international action of the World March of Women across the globe.

The Quebec launch of the March will be held on March 7 in Montreal. To mark the occasion, a short march and a surprise activity are scheduled. The FIQ is proud to be associated with this event and is putting its voice with that of the women of the whole world who will be marching from March 7 to October 17, 2010 to combat the poverty and violence experienced by too many women. To find out more about the activities in your region, go to the web site of the *Fédération des femmes du Québec* at www.ffq.qc.ca.



Moreover, the Federation has updated its framework reference to counteract violence and has designed a booklet for its members entitled, *To Work in Dignity*. Go to your local union office to find out more.



The President's video

The FIQ demands a clear commitment

In the President's video, which is accessible through the home page of the FIQ web site, Régine Laurent clearly demands that Yves Bolduc, the current Minister of Health, put his words into action by ending the practice of using personnel from private agencies in the public health network.

Calendar - Mobilization

March

Distribution of a tool explaining the care professionals' demands to the population

Members start wearing the armbands

Members wear a temporary transfer in the style of a tattoo

Mass emails to a targeted person in power (Charest, Gagnon-Tremblay, Bolduc)

A Federal Council will be held on March 15, 16 and 17