

Jamming Operation for the withdrawal of the health levy

In order to denounce the unjust nature of the health levy, the *R des centres de femmes*, of which the FIQ is a member, will carry out a jamming operation of the telephone line and the fax line in Minister Raymond Bachand's office today, Wednesday, December 8. The Minister of Finance must end this attack on the right to health and instead encourage equality between men and women.

All the members are invited to participate in this operation by calling Mr. Raymond Bachand at 418 643-5270 or by sending him a fax at 418 646-1574.

<FAX - Model letter (in French)>
<"D'autres choix sont possibles">

14 ways to fight violence against women

In memory of the 14 young women, victims of a political crime against women and feminists on December 6, 1989, 14 ways to fight violence against women have been defined.

All the information on the 12 Days of Action to Eliminate Violence Against Women Campaign and the salient facts on this violence in 2010 are available on the FFQ internet site at <www.ffq.qc.ca> (in French).



New Web page for the FIQ OHS Committee



At the last Federal Council, the FIQ OHS Committee made the announcement about the launching of its OHS Web page. This page, named *L'Essentiel*, is supposed to be an exchange and information tool to respond to the different concerns of the healthcare professionals in occupational health and safety matters.

The members are invited to go to the Federation's web site in order to access this new FIQ OHS Committee Web page. A wealth of information at your fingertips!

<www.fiqsante.qc.ca/english/lessentiel-sst_eng>

The Coalition Montérégie sans PPP demands quality care

On November 26, before the members of the board of directors of the *Agence de la santé et des services sociaux de la Montérégie*, the community and labour organizations making up the *Coalition Montérégie sans PPP* reiterated their appeal for the public construction and management of CSHLD's in the region. They are demanding that the CHSLD Saint-Lambert-sur-le-Golf be taken over by public authorities and that the projects in Granby, Chateauguay and Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu be carried out by conventional methods, rather than as PPP's.

Read the press release on the FIQ web site at <www.fiqsante.qc.ca> (in French).

A first work contract for the family day care educators

The Federation is delighted with the agreement in principle recently concluded by those in charge of day care services affiliated to the CSQ and the CSN. After 10 years of union and legal steps, the work of family day care educators will now be recognized and guided by a collective agreement. A great moment in Quebec labour history!

The FIQ Express is taking a break for the holiday period

The next issue of the FIQ Express will appear on January 12, 2011.



Happy holidays and until next year!