

Standardization of four collective prescriptions at the national level

Agreement beneficial for the nurses and for the public

Following the announcement of the agreement concluded on March 25 between the *Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec* (OIIQ), the *Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec* (OPQ) and the *Collège des médecins* (CMQ), the Federation wants to acknowledge this standardization of collective prescriptions which will enable the nurses to ensure medication follow-up for patients with certain chronic diseases.

A national standardization of these four collective prescriptions is an excellent start, but there need to be more in the near future. In addition to this agreement, access to care could be greatly improved, simply by a true application of Bill 90, a bill which already permits the use of collective prescriptions.

Read the follow-up to the release on the Federation website by clicking on “Zone Médias”.

Launching of the action plan to denounce the mismanagement and the waste of public money in the public network



The 600 FIQ delegates demonstrate in front of the MUHC

On March 21, the 600 delegates of the Federation demonstrated in front of the MUHC in order to kick-start the action plan adopted to denounce the mismanagement and waste of public money in the public health network. It is out of the question for the FIQ that the healthcare professionals pay the price for the cost-containment measures announced by the employer while the MUHC is regularly making headlines because of the allegations of fraud and corruption.

The cases of mismanagement in the health network are numerous. The exasperation of the healthcare professionals is such that an action plan was adopted by the delegation to publicly denounce in the upcoming weeks such aberrations seen in the public network health-care institutions. A file to follow closely...

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Other releases

2013-03-22

Union allegiance vote at the CSSS Cavendish

The healthcare professionals chose to be represented by the UHCP-FIQ

2013-03-14

Local negotiations for the healthcare professionals at the CSSS Alphonse-Desjardins

The members voted 87% for the agreement in principle

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On the floors

A film and a web documentary on the nurses



The world premiere of the documentary, *Sur les étages* by Sylvie Groulx, at 31^e *Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois*, was a great success. The film also aired March 21 on RDI and can be seen again via TOU.TV. The FIQ Executive Committee was involved with this project from the outset and had a chance to meet the production team.

This documentary takes a look at the everyday lives of the nurses from whom we often expect more of than meets the eye. These women and also these men have chosen to be close to people who are having difficult times, an illness or a surgery. It is their work, but they must first and foremost listen to their patients, reassure them, advise them, and often gain their trust.

On the website <<http://surlesetages.radio-canada.ca/>>, interviews with the film team are presented as well as additional scenes. The nursing staff is even invited to talk about an initiative in their workplace. With such participation and that of the public, the site can benefit from all the contributions.