

## Lab Coat March during the St-Jean-Baptiste parade



The President of the FIQ, Régine Laurent, was at the Quebec National Holiday parade on June 24 in Montreal. She was accompanied by members of the FIQ Executive Committee: Linda Bouchard, Claude Boucher, Line Larocque, Roberto Bomba and Daniel Gilbert, and about thirty union reps.



To illustrate that caregivers are an essential component of Quebec society, FIQ healthcare professions slipped in all along the parade route.

## Launch of Coopérative de santé du nord de la Petite-Nation

On June 25, the President of the FIQ, Régine Laurent, announced a \$75,000 contribution by the FIQ to the Chénéville neighbourhood clinic project in the Outaouais region. After *Coopérative SABSA* in Quebec City, an urban area, the *Coopérative de santé du nord de la Petite-Nation* neighbourhood clinic will be the second project of this kind in Quebec and the first in a rural community. This project once again concretizes the intention expressed by the FIQ delegates, on the occasion of the FIQ's last Congress, to develop a new care delivery model relying fully on the capabilities and competencies of healthcare professionals. This reflects the FIQ's will to continue improving the accessibility of care by relying on an interdisciplinary approach.



## The FIQ wants to reduce pressure and tension

On June 19, healthcare professionals, members of the FIQ, held blood pressure clinics in the Outaouais region to raise public awareness of the problems experienced in the Québec health network. They first gathered before the office of the MNA for Gatineau and Minister of Justice, Stéphanie Vallée, to denounce the disastrous impact of his government's budget cuts on the safety and quality of care. They then held other blood pressure clinics in the parking lots of the Gatineau and Buckingham hospitals. Roberto Bomba, Treasurer of the FIQ, was on hand.



## Lac-des-Deux-Montagnes

### Employer offers on the grill

Over the past few weeks, *Le Syndicat des professionnels(les) en santé du Lac-des-Deux-Montagnes* (FIQ) invited its members to a series of barbecues to discuss the issues of the current negotiations among themselves.



### Mass rally

Last June 30, the *Capitale-Nationale* healthcare professionals, members of the FIQ, participated in a mass rally at the *Institut universitaire en santé mentale de Québec*. Dressed in their white lab coats, they showed their indignation at the Liberal



### NO to Government's offer

Government's last offer, within the context of negotiation of their collective agreement. Régine Laurent, President, and Linda Bouchard of the FIQ Executive Committee, were present for the occasion.