

Women's Summit on March 3 and 4

The power of gender equality



In honor of the 75th anniversary of women's right to vote in Quebec, a group of women has founded the *Collectif pour l'égalité homme-femme, Projet 75* (Collective for gender equality, Project 75). This collective put together the *Manifeste des femmes, pour passer de la colère au pouvoir* (Women's manifest, moving from anger to power), which was read by Ms. Martine Desjardins and presented to the FIQ delegation during the Federal Council last December.

The collective is organising a Women's Summit, which will take place on March 3 and 4 at the *Palais des Congrès* in Montreal. This event will be an opportunity for hundreds of women and men to come together and discuss the power of gender equality.

To register, go to <http://projet75.com/sommet-des-femmes/inscription/>.

Upon exploring the Summit's website, you will notice that the president of the Federation, Régine Laurent, is one of the sponsors and signatories of *Projet 75*.

Bill 87

Act to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings within public bodies



On February 10, 2016, the Federation presented its memorandum before the Committee on Public Finance, titled *L'illusion d'une protection des*

professionnelles en soins contre les représailles (The Illusion of Protection for Healthcare Professionals Against Reprisals), as part of special consultations and public hearings regarding Bill 87, an Act to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings within public bodies. This memorandum is now available at fiqsante.qc.ca.

Delegates at the Federal Council



- ✓ On March 15, 16 and 17, 2016, the FIQ delegates will attend a Federal Council in Lévis. This will be an opportunity for your representatives to follow-up on the national negotiations and the restructuring and reorganisation of the sector caused by Bill 10. Given the current situation, many other issues will also be discussed due to the impact they have on the Federation's ongoing endeavors.

Improving the health of Native Americans

On Wednesday, February 17, FIQ President Régine Laurent sat on a panel during the National training forum of the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada in Montreal.

This year, the Association will be celebrating its 40 years. Their annual forum provides an opportunity for participants to break down prejudices as well as share their insight and knowledgeable practices in order to improve the health of Native Americans, their families and their communities.

