

## JULY 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

# Nunavut

### **LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Drugs & Alcohol**

May 31: New regulations took effect in Nunavut banning smoking within 9 metres of a workplace entrance as well as in public housing, motor vehicles where a minor is present, hospitals, schools, bus stops, child care facilities, sports and playing fields and spectator stands, parades, concerts, public events, sidewalks and pedestrian walkways, trails and paths.

**Action Point:** Use the [OHSI Substance Abuse Compliance Game Plan](#) to curb drugs and alcohol at your workplace

#### **Occupational Illnesses**

Jun 1: With warmer weather approaching, the GN warned residents to guard against avian influenza. While reported case numbers in northern Canada during the season have been low so far, cases may increase as birds migrate north for the spring. Avian influenza is common in domestic poultry and wild birds, including raptors, gulls, terns, shorebirds, ducks, geese and swans.

#### **New Laws**

Jun 2: The GN Department of Finance reminded employers to remit and pay the 2% payroll tax on time, i.e., on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month following each remitting period. Employers must register their businesses with Nunavut Payroll Tax within 21 days of an employee's first paycheck.