

MARCH 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

Northwest Territories

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emergency Response

Mar 7: A newly updated [Hazard Identification Risk Assessment](#) report lists flood (ice jam/freshet), wildfire at the point where the edge of a community meets the forest and interruption of power, fuel and other critical services as the top threats to the territories and its people, property, environment and economy. The GNWT will rely on the HIRA to prepare emergency response plans and strategies for each hazard.

Workplace Harassment

Feb 27: The GNWT is rolling out a new Working Mind program to bolster the workplace psychological health and safety of government employees. The training and other program elements are available to all GNWT employees and mandatory for managers and supervisors.

Action Point: Find out how to implement an effective [workplace violence and harassment compliance game plan](#) at your site

Drugs & Alcohol

Feb 15: The GNWT published a [progress report](#) summarizing its efforts to implement the Addictions Prevention and Recovery Services Work Plan it initiated one year ago. Punchline: In the past 12 months, the government has completed 12 of the Work Plan's 24 action points, including a review of best practices, status of existing

demographic data collection and its capacity to expand the collection of demographic data across addiction recovery programs and services.

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

Environmental

Feb 29: Northwest Territories recycled the equivalent of 18 kilograms of beverage containers per resident in 2023, with a beverage container recovery rate of 69.2%. Use of an estimated 7.7 million bags (170 bags per resident) was avoided, 1.79 kg. of electronics per resident were recycled and 1,950.3 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent were prevented.