

## APRIL 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

# Nunavut

### **LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **New Laws**

Apr 9: Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corp. and NCC Development Ltd. formed a \$4.9 million partnership to train Nunavut Inuit as apprentices in the building construction trades over the next 6 years. The training partnership will help ensure that Inuit will be actively involved in the coming effort to build more homes in Nunavut.

#### **Infectious Illnesses**

Feb 23: With measles cases on the rise across Canada, the Nunavut Department of Health reminded residents of the importance of keeping up to date with their immunizations, especially for children, the elderly and others at heightened vulnerability to the disease.

**Action Point:** Use the [OHSI Infection Exposure Control Plan](#) to protect workers from COVID-19, flu and other infectious diseases

#### **Ergonomics**

Apr 5: The WSCC issued [new guidance](#) for employers and workers on sound ergonomic practices and how to avoid musculoskeletal disorders and ergonomic injuries. According to the WSCC, the 3 industries in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut with the highest incidents of ergonomic injury are: i. Government organizations; ii. Retail industry and personal care workers; and iii. Construction and trades.

**Action Point:** Find out how to implement an [Ergonomics and Musculoskeletal Injury Prevention and Compliance Game Plan](#) at your workplace

## **Workers Comp**

Mar 31: The WSCC ended public consultations on policy changes that the Council will review at its upcoming governance meeting in June. Affected policies: Policy 03.10, Chronic Pain; Policy 04.02, Medical Aid and Associated; iii. Policy 09.08, Occupational Health and Safety Legislative Advisory Committees; and iv. Policy 10.01, Doubtful Accounts and Write-Offs.

## **Environmental**

Apr 1: The following Federal Carbon Tax rate increases took effect in Nunavut: i. Gasoline increased \$0.0330 per litre to \$0.1761; ii. Diesel fuel increased \$0.0401 per litre to \$0.2139 per litre; and iii. Naphtha increased \$0.1270 to \$0.6815 per can.