

Yukon

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Laws

Aug 3: Yukon businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and municipal governments can now apply for Tier 2 Economic Development Fund support of between \$30,001 and \$100,000 per project. For the first time, applications will be accepted online through the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture's online funding portal. Deadline to [apply](#): September 16.

New Laws

Jul 22: Yukon issued a General Declaration of Need authorizing the Yukon Medical Council to issue licences to family physicians from the U.S., U.K., Ireland, and Australia without an additional practice assessment or supervised practice period. Licences will be issued via the new "Limited A" pathway for qualified internationally trained physicians from approved countries whose medical licensing standards are at least equivalent to Yukon's.

Accessibility

Aug 2: Advocacy groups in Yukon are calling on the territorial government to enact accessibility legislation the way most of the rest of Canada has done. Yukon is currently one of five Canadian jurisdictions that doesn't have standalone accessibility legislation.

Action Point: Find out how accessibility laws affect your OHS program and how to [ensure your workplace emergency response plan accounts for the disabled](#)

Workplace Violence

Aug 7: Yukon ended online public consultations on new legislation governing private ownership of firearms in the territory. The law will likely provide for the creation of a new firearms advocate to represent firearm owners, advise the government, and promote firearm safety education and training.

Action Point: Find out when [threatening to bring a gun to work is grounds for terminating a worker](#).

Environmental

Jul 29: Yukon University will receive more than \$2.8 million in federal government support for clean energy research. The project will facilitate community-led renewable generation projects in northern communities via study of northern grid impacts.