



## **LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **New Laws**

Dec 18: Due to applications volume, the Yukon Nominee Program will officially move to an intake-based approach, starting with the new intake that begins on January 29, 2025. The program will take up to 125 new applications during the intake. Applications that arrive after the maximum is reached will be pushed back to the next intake.

### **New Laws**

Jan 9: Yukon launched a new pilot project to help internationally educated health professionals ply their trade in the territory. The Foreign Credential Recognition Navigation Service connects individuals to a navigator that can provide information on licensing requirements, connect individuals with settlement service providers, identify special training opportunities, and furnish one-on-one pathway counselling.

### **Drugs & Alcohol**

Jan 1: Yukon's new vaping tax agreement with the federal government takes effect. In a bid to discourage smoking and vaping, the new federal tax rate will be: (i) \$2.24 per 2 millilitres, or a fraction thereof, for the first 10 millilitres of vaping substance in a product; and (ii) \$2.24 per 10 millilitres for volumes beyond that. Yukon will receive 50% of the taxation revenue that the federal government collects from the sale of vaping products in the territory.

**Action Point:** Take 5 steps to [prevent workplace smoking](#) and vaping and avoid fines under smoke-free laws.

### **Workers' Comp**

Feb 28: February 28, 2025 is the final day for Yukon employers to file their Employer's Payroll Return and Contract Labour Report ([EPR](#)) form listing their actual 2024 workers' comp assessable payroll numbers and estimates for 2025. Remember that EPRs must be submitted online since the YWCHSB no longer accepts paper forms.