

New Brunswick

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Occupational Illness

Feb 4: Comments closed on [proposed revisions](#) clarifying WorkSafeNB's policy and procedures for determining whether illnesses are work-related for purposes of workers' compensation coverage. The changes include a new appendix listing all WorkSafeNB-recognized occupational diseases, including two that were recently added.

Action Point: Find out how to use the [OHSI Infection Exposure Control Plan](#) to protect workers from infectious illness.

Industry Challenges

Jan 13: A coroner's inquest jury investigating the death of a wind turbine construction team worker issued recommendations to bolster safety and prevent future incidents, including ensuring that morning safety meetings are held, equipment is reviewed, and a safety supervisor is present on the site at all times.

New Laws

Jan 20: The Collège Communautaire du Nouveau-Brunswick will receive \$5.8 million to support the next phase of a renewal project on its Bathurst campus. CCNB plans to close its building on Youghall Drive and replace it with a new one on du Collège Street while modernizing the existing facilities. The \$5.8 million is in addition to \$10.85 million committed for the first and second phases of the project.

Discrimination

Jan 16: New Brunswick's new plan to address systemic racism in the province calls for establishing an anti-racism office within the department of Post-Secondary Education, Training, and Labour. New Brunswick will become the fifth Canadian jurisdiction to establish such an office.

Workers' Compensation

Feb 28: February 28 is the final day for New Brunswick employers to submit their annual payroll form (Form 100) to WorkSafeNB to avoid late filings that may result in interest, late fees and penalties. Employers don't have to create a MyServices account to Fast File their Form 100.

Action Point: Find out how much each province and territory is charging for [workers' compensation premiums in 2026](#).

Environmental

Feb 2: New Brunswick made progress on its environmental goals, surpassing greenhouse gas emissions reductions per million dollars of GDP targets by 18% in 2025. Energy efficiency savings for homes and businesses exceeded target levels by

71%, and improvements were made in transportation sector efficiency.