



First Nations and Inuit Health Branch
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NNADAP/NYSAP Addiction Worker Certification Update

Indigenous Services Canada's First Nation & Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) is in the annual process of updating certification status for ON Region's NNADAP/NYSAP treatment centre and NNADAP community-based addiction workers.

Please update your addiction worker certification status **no later than August 1, 2018** in order to qualify for the 2018-2019 annual Certification Retention Incentive supported by the Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy (CDSS), formerly known as the National Anti-Drug Strategy (NADS).

A valid copy of a certificate from one of the following three (3) certification boards recognized by Health Canada can be **emailed to lynn.baxter@canada.ca or faxed to 807-343-5308**.

1. Canadian Council of Professional Certification
 - 416-724-5339 or <http://www.ccpcprofessionals.com>
2. Canadian Addiction Counsellors Certification Federation
 - 866-624-1911 or <http://www.caccf.ca>
3. The Indigenous Certification Board of Canada (formerly First Nations Wellness/Addictions Counsellor Certification Board)
 - 877-974-7425 or <http://www.icboc.ca>

Obtaining or maintaining your certification acknowledges the skills, competence, and knowledge that you have achieved working in the field of addiction. FNIHB continues to encourage all community-based and treatment centre NNADAP/NYSAP counsellors to work towards obtaining certification.

Should you require further information, please email lynn.baxter@canada.ca or call 807-343-5352.

Sincerely,

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