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History Is Made On CLFNS With The COVID-19 Vaccine



~ Chief Roger Marten and Elder Robert Machatis after receiving after his first round of the COVID-19 vaccination (TOP). Angie Grandbois proudly displays her message for others after receiving her vaccine (BOTTOM)

History was made on Cold Lake First Nations, as the first round of the new Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine was delivered to a nervous but optimistic group of our Elders. The first group of pre-screened, 65+ Elders were eager to protect themselves and help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, that has thrown our world into to turmoil over the last year.

The new "mRna" vaccine is hailed as a "first of it's kind" medical miracle, bringing with it a lot of hear say and questions. There is a lot of misinformation making its rounds on social media about the vaccine, so to clear up any confusion Alberta Health Services has provided this in depth FAQ about the current vaccine program.

https://clfns.com/wp-content/ uploads/2021/02/FAQ-ECC-Approved-2-Feb-2021.pdf

If you require more information about the vaccines or would like to register for the vaccine (when available for your demographic) please contact the Health Center at 780-594-2473.



First Cenovus Homes Delivered



~ The first of several homes from the Cenovus Housing initiative sits at it's permanent address (TOP). Drone view of the second home as it makes it's way to the Nation. (BOTTOM)



The end of February brought fourth a lot of action on CLFN as the first of several homes from the Cenovus Housing Initiative, made their way down mission road and were meticulously placed in their final resting places.

These home signal completion of the first phase of the initial investment that was announced back in January 2020. The investment, the company says, is away to "contribute to reconciliation Indigenous with peoples." The funding was broken down into a \$10-million yearly contribution for five years to build about 200 homes in the communities of Beaver Lake Cree Nation, Chard Métis Local 218, Chipewyan Prairie Dene First Nation, Cold Lake First Nations, Conklin Métis Local 193 and Heart Lake First Nation.

Working thorough the COVID-19 pandemic proved to be a challenge but the project was able to maintain a continuous pace and (excluding a short delay from the extreme cold weather), the project has remained largely on track.

Several of the now delivered homes are entering the finishing phase of construction and the new homeowners area eagerly awaiting the day they can call them home.

What is Bill C-92?

Co-developed with Indigenous, provincial, and territorial partners, Bill C-92, An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis children, youth and families will finally enshrine into law what Indigenous peoples across Canada have asked of governments for decades: to affirm and recognize their jurisdiction over child and family services.



On February 28, 2019, the Government introduced Bill C-92, An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis children, youth and families (the Act). This legislation was co-developed with Indigenous, provincial, and territorial partners with the goal of keeping Indigenous children and youth connected to their families, communities, and culture.

Today, this crucial piece of legislation for Indigenous children, youth and families has received Royal Assent.

It recognizes a simple truth: one size does not fit all when it comes to Indigenous child and family services. Under Bill C-92, Indigenous communities and groups will be free to develop policies and laws based on their particular histories, cultures, and circumstances. Free to move at their own pace to implement and enforce these policies and laws.

Through the Act, national principles such as the best interests of the child, cultural continuity, and substantive equality have been established to help guide the provision of

Indigenous child and family services. The Act also enables Indigenous groups and communities to transition toward exercising partial or full jurisdiction over child and family services at a pace that they choose. It is also consistent with the Canada's Government of commitments to implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action, and the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Source: https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2019/06/an-act-respecting-first-nations-inuit-and-metis-children-youth-and-families-receives-royal-assent.html

Complete The Bill C-92 Survey

This legislation is the culmination of extensive engagements with partners, which began with the January 2018 Emergency Meeting on Indigenous Child and Family Services, at which the federal government committed to points of action to address the over-representation of Indigenous children and youth in care, including exploring the co-development of legislation on Indigenous child and family services. This Act is also a result of the advocacy and leadership of Chiefs and elders, parents and grandparents, youth and community members from across Canada.

Just as the Act was co-developed with First Nations, Inuit and Métis, so will be its implementation. To ensure a smooth transition and implementation of the Act, Indigenous Services Canada and its partners are exploring the creation of distinctions-based transition governance structures with representation from Indigenous partners, Provinces and Territories.

The adoption of Bill C-92 represents a new chapter in the history of Canada and its relationship with Indigenous children, youth and families. It is designed to improve the health and well-being of generations of Indigenous children and youth to come.

"Today marks a great step forward in our reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. Today we take action to put an end to an ongoing humanitarian crisis. Every day, Indigenous children in this country are separated from their families, communities, languages, and cultures. An entire generation of Indigenous families are counting on us to get this right. We must not disappoint them."

~ The Honourable Seamus O'Regan, P.C., M.P. Minister of **Indigenous Services**

While some members of our Nations have benefited from the services provided by CFS or its Delegated First Nations Authority (DFNA), other members of our Nations have suffered greatly under the existing Child Welfare system, including the removal of children from their family and their community.

This survey is part of the Tribal Council's effort to gather community input regarding their experiences and/or opinion about Child Welfare Services on our Nations. Your honest input will help us determine what actions to take in improving child and family services provided to members of our Nations. The survey is anonymous, meaning that no personal information will be gathered, unless it is something that you want to provide to us.

Complete The Online Survey Here

Quick facts:

- This historic Bill affirms the jurisdiction of all Indigenous Peoples with regards to child and family services.
- · According to Census 2016, Indigenous children represent 52.2% of children in foster care in private homes in Canada, despite accounting for only 7.7% of the overall population of children under 15
- The first five Calls to Action by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada relate to child welfare, including Call to Action #4 which calls "upon the federal government to enact Aboriginal child-welfare legislation".
- Budget 2016 included new funding of \$634.8 million over five years, and Budget 2018 included new funding of \$1.4 billion over six years in the First Nations Child and Family Services Program to ensure the safety, security and well-being of Indigenous children.
- In 2018-2019, the total First Nations Child and Family Services Program funding under Indigenous Services Canada was more than \$1.1 billion.



English Bay Center

In March the EBCC Dept be taking a few ppl to St. Paul for their status Cards, if, your applying for the day school it's one of the requirements. We also have the forms just message me and I will send.

Service Canada hasn't been in this area for almost a year now, due to covid, will be going there anyway, so we can go directly to the office, one of the requirements is a birth certificate, if you don't have one, you can purchase one from registries for \$45 & they will accept the CIS cards (red status cards) for ID, and at your own expense.

I can only take a few at a time due to distancing restrictions. Therefore, I will only be taking 4 ppl at a time.

Masks are mandatory during the trip.

A Temperature gun will be used n taken before departure, and hand sanitizers will be made available.

If you have any questions call me at 780-815-0346.

Thank you, Roberta Nest

Housing Department

- 1. New Cenovus Homes are coming in...4 delivered one to go
- 2. Furnace Filters – please change them out on a regular basis – every 2-3 months, failure results in major furnace repairs
- ISC New Homes will start being delivered in March 3.



You're invited to a ZOOM Tea Party and Baking Party!!

March 17, 2021,5pm- 6pm

Limited to 20 families

Please call Loretta at 780-594-2473 or email Dana Jacknife @ dana.jacknife@clfns.com to register for a







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Contact us for more information or to register!

- Charlene McAdam 780-623-5508 training@portagecollege.ca
- Tammy Janvier 780-815-1171 tammy.janvier@cflns.com

Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm



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Step 2

Option A the Doctor will call you at your appointment time. **Option B** you will call the Doctor

This clinic is not an emergency care service. If this is an emergency please call 911.

Emergency Contact List

HEALTH LINK DIAL 811

POLICE EMERGENCY CALL 911

Cold Lake R.C.M.P. 24 Hours 780-594-3301 Office Hours 780-594-3302

Victims Services

Dave Zimmerman 780-594-3302 ext.3

Cold Lake Ambulance Authority 780-594-6674

Cold Lake Healthcare Centre 780-639-3322

Bonnyville Health Centre 780-826-3311

CLFN Emergency Management Roy Dell 780-594-7184 CLFN Health Centre 780-594-2473

Dene Wellness 780-594-1471

PUBLIC WORKS 780-594-1073

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