JULY 2018

SOUTH

ECAT

Employee & Client Assistance Team 403-634-8805

Phones do not accept text messages
– staff need to call ECAT.

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TIME SHEET HAND-IN

- July 16th, 2018 For all shifts worked between July 1st and July 15th.
- <u>July 31st, 2018</u> For all shifts worked between July 16th and July 31st.

UPCOMING:

•HEALTH AND SAFETY MEETING July 11th, 2018 at 9:00 AM

- RPAC MEETING July 11th, 2018 at 1:30 PM
 - Unit Meeting July 4th, 2018 at 1:00 PM

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Making it Happen!- Supporting Social Inclusion

EMJAY

Emjay is a new client with ICE in Lethbridge. She joined the ICE community in January of 2018. In her short time with us, Emjay has shown herself to be a talented and motivated young woman. ICE staff supporting Emjay have worked with her to establish great connections in the community and to become involved and energetic in her daily activities.

One of Emjay's goals when she started services was to secure a volunteer position, she has been more than successful with three current volunteer placements. She volunteers at the Sunny South Lodge where she socializes and plays games with seniors, the Nature Centre where she spots wildlife and greets visitors and the Humane Society where she walks the dogs.



Emjay making her first speech at her Toastmaster's Club.

Emjay is motivated to keep both her mind and body active. To keep physically fit she plays racquetball and basketball at the YMCA. To engage her mind she participates in Toastmasters and recently gave her first speech. Emjay has a love of music and has also begun learning to play the guitar. Emjay is interested in even more activities so she is looking at joining cooking classes, as well as art and photography classes. Recently Emjay attended the LG Barnes Women's Retreat camp which she enjoyed very much.

Emjay came to the Lethbridge area from Calgary and at first was unsure about living in a smaller community. After several months she has become involved and active in Lethbridge. Her ICE support staff have helped Emjay develop a program that is diverse and really lets her build on her strengths. The staff say that Emjay makes it easy, stating that they love her energy and personality!

We look forward to the many great things this vibrant young woman will accomplish!

Employee Spotlight



Shelby Hippard - Shelby has been an ICE employee for a short six months but she has done wonderful things in her time with ICE. She has great relationships with her clients and supports them with enthusiasm to achieve their goals!

Her favorite thing about working in this field is supporting individuals to have a voice and encouraging and empowering people to live a life they choose. Shelby has been a great addition to the ICE Lethbridge team!

POLICY REVIEW

Excerpts from Policy 2.4.1 are included here. Please refer to the ICE Policy Manual for the full policy.

2.4.1 GUIDELINES FOR PLANNING CTIVITIES

- Independent Counselling Enterprises activities are planned to be effective as well as safe in their operation.
- **2.** General guidelines apply in planning activities:

Involve the client in planning activities;

Consider the client's abilities and interests in relation to the activity;

Consider the client's likely level of safety and well being while participating in the activity;

Determine the relationship of the activity to the client's cultural and religious heritage; Ensure the activity fits in with other scheduled activities and daily routines;

Ensure activities are age-appropriate;

Plan the activity in incremental steps (i.e.: putting, then driving range, then pitch and putt, then golfing) to enhance skill acquisition; Address safety concerns (i.e.: proper equipment, facilities, etc.). Any adaptive equipment used by the client must be consistently and appropriately used during activities; Arrange an appropriate meeting place. Have phone numbers and other information

available ahead of time; All group activities require supervisor review and approval before they take place; In the event of an emergency (i.e. accident or injury) employees are to ensure they have all emergency contact names/phone-numbers including their supervisor and ECAT/911 to call for immediate assistance

(see Policy 2.7.3 Critical & General Reporting Incidents & Policy 3.3.6 ECAT Supervision)

3. Aquatic activities must include the following precautions:

The presence of a certified lifeguard. Employees are to use public swimming facilities where qualified staff are available;

In circumstances where I.C.E. clients have access to private pool facilities through their residence a pool safety protocol (refer to the Master Document Binder) will be developed, reviewed, and signed off by the client, guardian, and I.C.E. staff, a copy of the protocol will be filed in the client green file; Use of a safety floatation jacket by all participants in a raft, boat or canoe;

Constant and direct supervision of clients during all activities around water.

ICE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JULY 2nd FOR CANADA DAY



Please direct all calls to the Employee Client Assistance Team for that day. 403-634-8805

ICE HAS A TD GROUP RSP PLAN!

Refer to Policy 3.4.18 FUTUREBUILDER RSP

If you are eligible, ICE will match your contributions

To sign up, please contact: 780-453-9664

Please note: June's Health and Safety meeting minutes will be published next month.

Looking for Answers? Here are some online links you may find of assistance:

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada.html	Health Canada is responsible for helping Canadians maintain and improve their health. It ensures that high-quality health services are accessible, and works to reduce health risks.
www.ccohs.ca	The Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS) promotes the total well-being—physical, psychosocial and mental health—of working Canadians by providing information, training, education, management systems and solutions. It makes credible information about workplace hazards and conditions easily and widely accessible to all Canadians.
https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/findhealth/ service.aspx?Id=1001957	Linking Albertans to a wide range of health information and service options.
https://work.alberta.ca/occupational-health- safety.html https://work.alberta.ca/occupational-health-safety/ ohs-publications.html#laws	Alberta Occupational Health and Safety works in consultation with industry to help prevent work-related injuries, illnesses and fatalities. The OHS site provides access to a wide range of information bulletins and on-line training options
https://work.alberta.ca/occupational-health-safety/ resources.html	



Occupational Health and Safety Updates

Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Law has recently been updated.

The following worker rights are now included in both Alberta Legislation and Canadian Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Law.

\Rightarrow Right to Know

- ⇒ The Right to Know includes:
 - Being informed of hazards and controls associated with work at the work site.
 - Adequate training in all matters necessary to protect their health and safety. Training must occur before a worker starts a work activity; does a new work activity; uses new equipment; performs a new process; is moved to a new area or work site.

⇒ Right to Participate

- Legislation now guarantees workers the right to consult and cooperate with their Employer on Health and Safety matters that affect them and outlines the requirements for representation. Health and Safety Representatives, in cooperation with the employer, perform the same duties with necessary modifications.
- Duties of worker health and safety committee members/ representatives include:
 - * Receiving health and safety concerns from other workers,
 - * Participating in Hazard identification,
 - * Assisting to develop and implement protective safety measures (and follow up)

- * Receiving education & information related to OHS
- * Implementing OHS recommendations (along with the employer)
- * Completing Workplace inspections (at least quarterly),
- * Participation in Incident Investigations (serious incidents).
- * Maintaining records of activities and meetings.

⇒ Right to Refuse Dangerous Work

Workers have the right to refuse work that could:

- Endanger the worker,
- Endanger another worker,
- Endanger another person (visitor, contractor, member of the public etc.)

This right is based on the worker having reasonable grounds to believe the work is dangerous or that there is a dangerous condition at the worksite (and the controls are inadequate).

- Workers are required to protect themselves and others at or in the vicinity of the work site.
- Exercise their OHS rights and duties without fear of reprisal.

⇒ Workers now have protection from Harassment and Violence under the Act.

Workers are to be provided training including: Recognition of violence and harassment, Policies, procedures and controls in place to eliminate or mitigate risks, Response procedures (how to get assistance), Procedures for reporting, investigating and documenting.

Source: Continuing Care Safety Association, Bill 30: Act to Protect the Health and Wellbeing of Working Albertans

TRAINING

Anxiety / Depression Training

July 4th, 2018 July 17th, 2018 9:30 am - 12:00 pm As described on the ICE website

Clients Goals & Outcomes

July 5th, 2018
9:30 am - 12:00 pm
As described on the ICE website

Community Connections

July 5th, 2018
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

As described on the ICE website
Team Leader Training

July 25th, 2018 9:30 am - 3:30 pm As described on the ICE website

Work Place Violence, Bullying &

Harassment Training
July 25th, 2018
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

This is a new workshop. It will inform staff what workplace violence, harassment & bullying looks like & how to deal with it when or if it happens.

Documentation

July 26th, 2018

9:30 - 12:00 pm <u>OR</u> 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

ICE THANK YOU CARD INCENTIVE WINNER



Harry Eom

Harry received a Thank You card from his Supervisor for his willingness to help and for his great rapport with clients.

\$100.00 ICE Employee Referral Incentive Program

Employees or Support Home Operators who refer a person to ICE who successfully meets our hiring requirements & completes their three month probation with a minimum of 120 hours worked, receive \$100.00!



PAYROLL NEWS:

Canada Day is a statutory holiday in **Alberta**, which is a paid general holiday for employees who are eligible.

Canada Day is on July 1 every year except when it falls on a Sunday, then it's on July 2.

Please refer to:

Alberta general holidays | Alberta.ca https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-general-holidays.aspx

