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## **UPDATE: Community Social Services: HSA encourages enrolment in Municipal Pension Plan**

March 4, 2010

In 2006, community social services workers represented by HSA finally won access to the Municipal Pension Plan. You may be eligible to enrol starting April 1, 2010. HSA strongly recommends all eligible employees enrol.

Your employer determines your eligibility, and will send you information if you qualify. You then have 90 days to decide whether you want to enrol.

Do you think you're too young or too old to enrol? Do you have questions about the monthly contribution? Or are you considering a career change in the future? Enrolling in the Municipal Pension Plan is still the best choice for your future.

### **Special FAQ leaflet**

Unions representing members in the community social services sector have developed a short ["Frequently Asked Questions" leaflet](#).

### **In your community: special pension information meetings**

During March, HSAs pension specialist will hold meetings in communities across BC for members who want to learn more about enrolling in the Municipal Pension Plan. The schedule below will be updated as new dates are confirmed.

#### **MARCH 9**

City: **Campbell River**

Place: Discovery Inn

Short presentations: 5pm and 7pm

HSA staff available: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Join us for refreshments

#### **MARCH 10**

City: **Courtenay**

Place: Westerley Hotel

Short presentations: 5pm and 7pm

HSA staff available: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Join us for refreshments

#### **MARCH 11**

City: **Nanaimo**

Place: Haven House administrative offices

HSA staff available: 11:30am-1:30pm

Join us for refreshments

City: **Victoria**

Place: Community office, Victoria Women's Transition Society

HSA staff available: 5-7pm

Join us for pizza

### **MARCH 15**

City: **Kelowna**

Place: Mocha Room, Central Okanagan Child Development Association, 1546 Bernard Street

HSA staff available: 5pm-7pm

Join us for refreshments

### **MARCH 16**

City: **Coquitlam**

Place: Best Western Coquitlam Inn Convention Centre

Short presentations: 5pm and 7pm

HSA staff available: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Join us for refreshments

### **MARCH 18**

City: **Surrey**

Place: Sheraton Guildford, 15269 104 Avenue

Short presentations: 5pm and 7pm

HSA staff available: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Join us for refreshments

### **MARCH 30**

City: **Powell River**

Place: administrative offices, Powell River & Region Transition House Society

HSA staff available: 11:30am-1:30pm

Join us for refreshments

A secure public pension ... such as the Municipal Pension Plan ... is the gold standard to which other Canadians aspire. Community social services workers have fought for decades for access to this pension; HSA strongly encourages you to enrol.

[Register on HSAs website](#) to receive updates on developments in the community social services sector. You need your member ID number to register (printed on the mailing label of The Report magazine).

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