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Seat for Prince Edward Island in University of Sherbrooke medical program

WELLINGTON, **PEI**, **January 4**, **2016** – The PEI French Health Network is reminding Francophone and immersion students of Prince Edward Island interested in studying medicine that every year, the University of Sherbrooke reserves a seat for an Island student.

Through an agreement between the governments of New Brunswick and Quebec, various health programs in select Quebec universities have seats available for Francophone students from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. To be eligible, students must first meet the admission criteria of the applicable programs.

Under the agreement, a seat is reserved in the medical program at the University of Sherbrooke only, for one Prince Edward Island student. The agreement also provides for reduced tuition fees. If there are no applications from PEI for the medical program, applications to other health programs may be considered.

Applications must be submitted to the person in charge of special programs at the University Of Moncton Faculty of Science. The instructions and the Quebec-New Brunswick Agreement form to be completed are available at www.umoncton.ca/umcm-sciences-programmesspeciaux/node/8. The deadline for submitting an application is January 15, 2016.

For more information on the medical program, visit the program's Web site at http://www.umoncton.ca/umcm-sciences-programmesspeciaux/node/6 or contact by email (pss@umoncton.ca) or telephone (506-858-4447).

The PEI French Health Network is a non-profit organization that collaborates with various partners to improve access to quality French-language health services and programs for Prince Edward Island's Acadian and Francophone population. The organization brings together representatives from target community groups, educational facilities, health professionals, health service managers and the provincial government. It is also one of 16 networks that make up the Société Santé en français. The PEI French Health Network is funded by Health Canada within the framework of the Roadmap for Canada's Official Languages 2013-2018: Education, Immigration, Communities.

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