



Press Release

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Nominate your Étoile Santé for a chance to win \$500!

WELLINGTON, PEI, January 12, 2016 – Since the PEI French Health Network (PEIFHN) officially launched the Étoile Santé campaign to recognize health professionals who offer French-language health services, 12 individuals have been recognized for their exceptional offer of French-language services as of December 2015. The campaign will continue in 2016, and those who take the time to nominate health professionals will have a chance to win one of two \$500 prizes.

The first \$500 prize will be randomly drawn among all nominations received from January to June 2016. A second prize will follow, for nominations received from July to December 2016. An individual may nominate more than one person.

To be eligible for one of the prizes, you must nominate health professionals who actively offer French-language health services in Prince Edward Island. Here are a few examples:

- Offer of service in French upon arrival at the emergency department, which helps relieve stress, especially in a crisis situation;
- Accessibility of French brochures, explanations or consent forms during a medical procedure;
- Provision of services in French by a therapist, which allows the patient to better express his or her needs.

All nominated health care professionals receive a recognition award. Furthermore, once a month, a health professional who has distinguished himself/herself will be recognized in an article published in the province's French-language newspaper, *La Voix acadienne*.

The complete list of Étoile Santé recipients for 2015, as well as their contact information, can be found at the following link: www.santeipe.ca/liste-des-nomines. To find bilingual service providers in your area, consult the directory at www.santeipe.ca/repertoire.

Help us add to the directory by nominating your Étoile Santé directly on the PEIFHN Web site at www.santeipe.ca. **Please note that you can also nominate a health care professional listed in the directory.*

The PEI French Health Network is a non-profit organization that collaborates with various partners in order 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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