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The PEI French Health Network welcomes two student workers this summer

WELLINGTON, PEI, May 19, 2020 – The PEI French Health Network (PEIFHN) is pleased to announce that two student recruits will be joining its team for the summer. With a passion for both communications and community projects, the two young workers are excited to start their summer jobs with the PEIFHN.

PROJECT OFFICER

Cassidy Arsenault happily accepted the Project Officer position with the PEIFHN after recently completing the French Education Bachelor Program at UPEI. You can usually find the young Acadian somewhere in her native Evangeline Region. She is pleased to be working with members of her own community. Cassidy has a passion for both the Acadian and Francophone culture of the Maritimes as well as applied science. She discovered her interest in chemistry while working toward her first bachelor degree in science. Cassidy is always ready to take on an adventure and discover new things. She is very much looking forward to starting her career with the PEIFHN!

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

Cloé Hudon was born in Saguenay, in Quebec. The communications aficionado started following the news at a young age. She developed a keen interest in the media while she was still in high school, then pursued her education in journalism at the Cégep de Jonquière. Cloé likes to explore a broad range of topics and is always ready to take on various challenges. In fact, the 21-year-old student loves to add new feathers to her cap. With an enthusiastic personality and a touch of eccentricity, Cloé leaves her mark wherever she goes. She is excited to spend her summer with the PEIFHN!

The two temporary positions will allow the PEIFHN to implement components of its new communication plan, manage various aspects of the network's regular programs over the course of the summer and reinforce the team's capacity to adapt and deliver the programming.

Given the current COVID-19 pandemic, the two students are working remotely for the time being. The PEIFHN is closely monitoring the situation and following Dr. Heather Morrison's public health recommendations to protect the network's members and employees.

After spending a number of years without hiring any student employees, the PEIFHN welcomes this mutually beneficial opportunity. "These young workers will provide us with significant support and they, in turn, will have the chance to have a diverse and unique work experience in our current social context," said Assistant Director Karine Gallant, who will guide and supervise the two students' work.

Both positions will take place over a 15-week period and end in late August. The PEIFHN would like to recognize the financial support provided by the federal government through its Young Canada Works program to help hire the two summer students.

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 and Healthbound 2018-2023: Toward Access. The PEI French Health Network is funded by Health Canada within the framework of the Roadmap for Canada's Official Languages 2018–2023.

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