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## Health and Wellness Project Intentions

**WELLINGTON (PEI) – October 8, 2013** – Within the framework of the new Roadmap for Canada’s Official Languages 2013-2018 (Health component), a call for project proposals in the areas of health and wellness will soon be issued by Health Canada or Société Santé en français (SSF). The PEI French Health Network (PEIFHN) is therefore inviting groups and organizations from Prince Edward Island to submit a project intention by October 18, 2013.

The PEIFHN is taking this measure to get a better idea of the health and wellness project ideas brewing on Prince Edward Island to increase access to quality French language programs and services for the Acadian and Francophone population of the province. The purpose is to stimulate discussions on initiatives in the areas of health and wellness.

It is important that groups who intend to prepare a project intention take into consideration the parameters prioritized by Health Canada, which provides funding to the SSF and the PEIFHN, including the parameters on target populations and issues such as seniors and access to services for people with mental health issues or people in remote communities as well as the low concentration of Francophones.

The following are links to documents that could assist in the preparation of project intentions:

- Favoriser le rétablissement dans sa langue : Orientations en santé mentale en français (SSF): *Promoting rehabilitation in one’s language: French language mental health orientations* (Document available in French only) <http://www.santefrancais.ca/santementale/>
- Destination 2018 (SSF) : [http://www.santefrancais.ca/uploads/banque-de-documents/Destination2018\\_Vprint.pdf](http://www.santefrancais.ca/uploads/banque-de-documents/Destination2018_Vprint.pdf)
- Pour la promotion de la santé en français au Canada - Énoncé de la stratégie nationale (SSF): *Promoting French language health services in Canada – National strategy statement* [www.santefrancais.ca/uploads/banque-de-documents/promotion\\_sante\\_en.pdf](http://www.santefrancais.ca/uploads/banque-de-documents/promotion_sante_en.pdf)
- Global Development Plan (SSTA): [http://www.ssta.org/images/Notre\\_developpement/SSTA%20-%20PDG%20IPÉ%20-%20Version%20abrégée%20-%202001-12-10\\_ENG.pdf](http://www.ssta.org/images/Notre_developpement/SSTA%20-%20PDG%20IPÉ%20-%20Version%20abrégée%20-%202001-12-10_ENG.pdf)
- Community consultation results — French Language Services Act: [http://www.assembly.pe.ca/bills/pdf\\_chapter/64/3/chapter-32.pdf](http://www.assembly.pe.ca/bills/pdf_chapter/64/3/chapter-32.pdf)
- Health PEI Strategic Plan: [www.healthpei.ca/strategicplan2013-16](http://www.healthpei.ca/strategicplan2013-16)

The project intention form can be found at the following address: <http://www.santeipe.ca/ressources>. The deadline for submitting a project intention is October 18, 2013. For more information, please contact Élise Arsenault at [info@santeipe.ca](mailto:info@santeipe.ca) or 902-854-7441. The completed form can be sent to [info@santeipe.ca](mailto:info@santeipe.ca).

*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 17 networks that make up the Société Santé en français.*

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