

THE CIPHI OBSERVER

Saskatchewan Branch Newsletter



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello members, and happy new year!

I hope everyone was able to have some rest and relaxation over the past few months, and are enjoying 2023 so far! Your CIPHI SK Branch Executive have met a few times since our AGM, and are moving along with Branch business. We are looking forward to working with members, to continue to move the CIPHI SK Branch forward. As always, CIPHI SK Members are encouraged to reach out to myself, or any executive member, with questions or comments on CIPHI SK Branch activity.

The CIPHI Website and Saskatchewan Branch Page

As part of the advocacy work underway at CIPHI National, www.ciphi.ca underwent significant updates in 2021 and 2022. The updates included providing each CIPHI Branch with their own page. This meant the former CIPHI SK webpage, and associated costs, were no longer necessary. The former CIPHI SK page was decommissioned, and work has begun on crafting the new CIPHI SK Branch page. We encourage members to check it out! <https://ciphi.ca/sk/>

Updates to CIPHI SK Branch Constitution and By-laws

As you will remember from the 2022 CIPHI SK Annual General Meeting (AGM), the CIPHI SK Branch Policy Committee worked hard to completely update the CIPHI SK Branch Constitution and amend several Branch By-laws. The CIPHI SK Branch Constitution and By-laws were dated from 2010, and several amendments were needed to align them with current Branch practice, CIPHI National governance documents, and for clarification. We are happy to report all proposed amendments were passed at the AGM. The updated documents will be available on the



Kelsie Dale, CIPHI SK Branch President

CIPHI SK Branch website.

CIPHI National Directors

In January 2022, three national directors were appointed onto the CIPHI National Executive:

- Ann Thomas (BC), as National Director of Policy;
- Natalie Lowden (MB), as National Director of Advocacy; and
- CIPHI SK Branch's very own, Kari Engele-Carter, as National Director of Education.

All the national directors had a very busy and productive year in their respective portfolios, as their work

continued to support and advance the CIPHI pillars of advocacy, education, and governance. The CIPHI SK Branch was proud to endorse Kari for this role, and to support CIPHI National advocacy and education initiatives throughout the year. This work strengthens our profession, both in Saskatchewan and across the country. Work continues over all the portfolios in 2023, and the CIPHI SK Branch is excited to provide continued support!

In January 2023, Natalie Lowden became CIPHI National President-Elect, and Meaghan Allen (AB) was the successful candidate becoming the current National Director of Advocacy.

First Saskatchewan Education Conference following the COVID-19 Pandemic Response

Following a two-year hiatus, due to the COVID-19 pandemic response, the CIPHI SK Branch Executive decided in early 2022 that the SK Branch would host the 13th Annual Professional Education and Development Seminar (PEDS) in Regina, Saskatchewan. The event was held at the Ramada Downtown by Wyndham on October 4 and 5, 2022. This year's conference theme was "Stronger together: coming through the pandemic - mentally, physically and professionally" and focused on mental health and resilience, the pandemic experiences, and multiple technical program areas. This year featured some exciting new inclusions, including renowned keynote speakers, an interactive fishbowl session, and a virtual presentation, all of which were met with very positive feedback from those in attendance. Sponsors were welcomed back, and we are grateful for their continuing (and new) support, without which this event would not be possible. The social night included an entertaining activity, and a great opportunity to reconnect with members and sponsors. We continue to be fortunate to have support from our members, sponsors, speakers, the Ministry of Health, and our employers that allows for members to gain professional education knowledge. Overall it was a very successful event.

2022 CIPHI SK Branch Engagement Survey

The Branch Executive has identified increasing CIPHI SK Branch member engagement as a priority work item for 2022-23. The survey was designed to focus on the engagement portion of Branch work, and not to be all encompassing of Branch work. Thank you to all members who participated in the 2022 CIPHI SK Branch Engagement Survey that was shared in December 2022. Twenty seven responses were received, and the survey took an average of

8 minutes to complete. The CIPHI SK Branch is integrating the survey feedback into this year's work plan, and are looking forward to further engagement with members.

Our 2022 member engagement event (virtual) on paper folding instruction was a great opportunity to connect with members across the province and engage in a fun (and not too competitive!) activity. Congratulations to those who won prizes, and we look forward to seeing you at future events.

CIPHI SK Branch Future work

- The CIPHI SK Branch Executive is in the process of forming the committee for the annual CIPHI SK Branch Education Conference. In 2023, it will be held in Saskatoon, with dates TBD.
- The 2023 CIPHI Annual Education Conference will be held in Saint John, New Brunswick this year. Further information can be found below, and updates will be shared from the planning committee as they become available.
- As mentioned in a previous email communication, the CIPHI SK Branch Executive intends to pursue a bid for hosting the 2024 CIPHI Annual Education Conference (2024 AEC). With the new National Director of Education in place, and an updated model of planning and delivery, hosting the 2024 AEC in Saskatchewan will provide members with excellent opportunities to volunteer, promote our province, and receive professional development hours.
- The CIPHI SK Branch policy committee continues work on the branch governance documents, to update and align with current practices and Branch needs.

Thank you,

Kelsie Dale, CPHI(C), BSc, BEH, MPH
CIPHI SK Branch President

MEET THE EDITOR

My name is Jennifer Reid, and I am excited to introduce myself as this year's editor of the CIPHI SK Branch Newsletter, The Observer. I am a public health officer with the Saskatchewan Health Authority, and currently work in the former Prairie North Health Region.

I was born and raised on beautiful Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, and having been raised by the ocean, I believe saltwater is the cure for everything: tears, sweat and the sea! After graduating with a double major in Criminology and Psychology in 2002, and not finding my career in the legal field very rewarding, I decided to return to university to pursue a career in public health. I graduated from Cape Breton University with my Bachelor of Health Sciences in Public Health in 2010. On graduation day, I was boarding a plane to Northern British Columbia, instead of walking across the podium to obtain my degree, to complete my practicum training. I was fortunate to be hired full-time two months into my practicum, and I have not looked back since.

When an opportunity to move to La Ronge, SK presented itself in 2013, I saw this as an opportunity to continue with the difficult, but rewarding, challenges and complexities that arise in our field when working in remote northern communities. In 2018, I accepted a position in Kindersley, SK but love brought me to Lloydminster, AB soon after, where I now live with my spouse and two stepdaughters.

Working in a border city presents its own unique challenges, but it's what I love about my job. No day is ever the same, and there are always opportunities to challenge myself and learn new things.

When I'm not working, you'll find me enjoying time with my family, learning Spanish (estoy aprendiendo español), reading, crafting, walking in beautiful Bud Miller Park, or partaking in my new hobby—woodworking.

If there is something you would like to see in the newsletter, or you have material to contribute, please email me at newsletter@ciphi-sk.ca.



MEET YOUR EXECUTIVE



Pictured left to right: Kari Engele-Carter (Councilor), Alden Georget (Councilor), Heather Henderson (Treasurer), Kelsie Dale (President), Ryan Philipation (Past President), Shawna Stevens (Secretary), Phi Pham (Councilor). Missing from photo is Mike McCann (Councilor).

Executive Membership Update

The CIPHI SK Branch Executive held its annual general meeting (AGM) on October 4, 2022 at the 13th annual Professional Education and Development Seminar (PEDS) in Regina, SK. This year's Executive had three positions open for election: one for treasurer and two for councilor.

Heather Henderson was the successful candidate for treasurer, and will continue the excellent work she's been doing in this position. Kari Engele-Carter and Phi Pham were the successful candidates for councilor, and the Executive is looking forward to having them. Thank you to those members who let their names stand for election.

The Executive would like to offer a special thank you to outgoing councilors, Ken Cross and Michael Hayduk, for all of the hard work they contributed during their time on the Executive.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK 2022

Submitted by
Jennifer Reid, CPHI(C)

Between September 25 and October 4, 2022, Environmental Public Health Professionals (EHPs) in Saskatchewan, and across Canada, celebrated Environmental Public Health Week. This year's theme was "*Strength Through Collaboration*", which is fitting, given that EHPs work with professionals across many disciplines to proactively protect the health and wellness of those living in the communities they live and serve.

Compared to other health disciplines, much of the work EHPs do is behind the scenes and often goes unrecognized by the general public. However, we as EHPs know the responsibilities within our scope of practice – and the breadth of knowledge we have to share – is vast and varied. Whether it's mitigating food safety hazards in local restaurants, monitoring public water supplies to ensure their potability, ensuring our families and friends can enjoy their local swimming pools and waterparks safely, educating tattoo artists on how to share their creativity without disease transmission, or advocating for healthy built environments, the work EHPs do is vital in preventing adverse health events in our communities, which in turn reduces the burden of disease on our primary health care system.

For this, and many other reasons, it is important to celebrate and acknowledge the important and rewarding work that we do! Check out how some of our province's EHPs celebrated EPH Week.

COLLABORATION

Supporting facility operators to keep community pools hygienic and safe.

Happy Environmental
Public Health Week



TEAMWORK

Partnering with childcare providers to keep children healthy and safe.

Happy Environmental
Public Health Week



PARTNERSHIP

Supporting restaurant owners with hygienic and safe food preparation.

Happy Environmental
Public Health Week





Staff from the Ministry of Health's Population Health Branch. Left to right: Benjamin Nwadialo (Environmental Health Technical Consultant); Nicole White (Director of Environmental Health); Kelsie Dale (Food Safety Consultant); Priya Goundar (Zoonotic/Environmental Health Consultant); Shawna Stevens (Environmental Health Consultant); and Wayne Johnson (Environmental Health Consultant).



Staff from the Saskatchewan Health Authority's Population Health Unit in La Ronge. Left to right: David Sampson (Environmental Health Protection Coordinator); Temitope Omojola (PHI); Kurt Exner (PHI); and Cristina O'Kere (PHI).



Staff from the Saskatchewan Health Authority's Public Health Inspection Program in Moose Jaw. Left to right: Nimone Campbell (PHI); Gabriela Zelada (PHI); Erika Yakiwchuk (PHI); and Ken Longmore (PHI).



Staff from the Saskatchewan Health Authority's Prince Albert office partaking in some sweet treats! Pictured left to right are: Alden Georget (PHI); Kevin Famulak (PHI); Donna Wells (Medical Office Assistant); Sandra (Medical Office Assistant); and Nancy Gaveronski (PHI). Missing from the photo is Peter Ross (PHI).



Staff from the Saskatchewan Health Authority's Public Health Office in Saskatoon. Back (left to right): Dr. Simon Kapaj (MHO); Joan McDonald (Office Supervisor); Dr. Johnmark Opondo (MHO); Matthew Shumaker (PHI); Kim Krett (PHI); Dwayne Liebelt (PHI); Abimbola Olaobaju (PHI); Dave Watt (PHI); Olosoji Awoyera (PHI); Patricia Tymiak (PHI); and Randy Walker (PHI).

Front (left to right): Michael Newell (PHI); Lindsay Viteychuk (OAA); Arden Georget (PHI).

CIPHI ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN

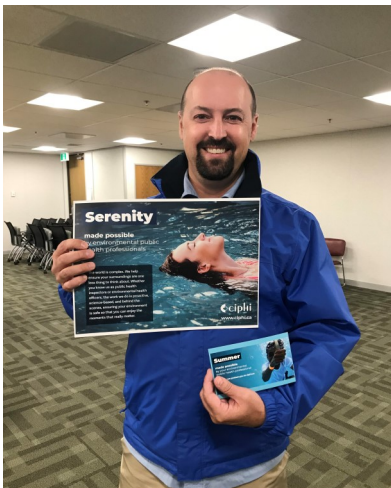
Submitted by
Kelsie Dale, CPHI(C)

The CIPHI SK Branch had a wonderful opportunity in 2022 to elevate the awareness of our profession and support the CIPHI National Advocacy campaign. We were able to capitalize on the great work done by the CIPHI National Advocacy Director and Be the Change Group, as they researched and developed a very well received ad campaign. Nationally, the campaign was very successful and resulted in quadruple-digit increases in visits to the CIPHI website.

The SK Campaign buys were successful in reaching a wide SK audience. CIPHI SK Branch supported posters, online banners, physical newspaper ads, and billboards. These, along with the National digital ad buys, meant that most of the province received campaign coverage!



Former CIPHI NEC President, Kevin Kapell, and CIPHI SK Branch President, Kelsie Dale, proudly pictured next to a CIPHI National digital ad in Toronto, ON.



CIPHI SK Branch members proudly posing with advocacy campaign posters, supported by the CIPHI SK Branch. Pictured left to right are Travis Philipation, Michael Newell, and Ian Harrison.

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SOUTH NEWS

Centennial mural, programs for all ages at Weyburn Library

37 minutes ago By: SASKTODAY.ca

For gaming enthusiasts, there will be Discord game nights, using the Discord server through the Southeast Regional Library. [More >](#)

Heat wave drives record-setting electricity use: SaskPower

CENTRAL NEWS

Saskatoon fire department stresses caution when celebrating Labour Day with fireworks

about an hour ago By: SASKTODAY.ca

The Saskatoon Fire Department wishes everyone a safe and enjoyable Labour Day weekend. [More >](#)

Update: Saskatoon police locate missing 15-year-old girl

NORTH NEWS

Second person charged in assault caught on video in Battleford

about an hour ago By: Lisa Joy

[More >](#)

Bfids RCMP Report: 519 calls for service, one member gets bitten

Community engagement and connection vital to

Left: Screenshot displaying a digital ad from the CIPHI SK Branch’s advocacy campaign from SASKTODAY.ca on September 1, 2022.

Right: Screenshot displaying a digital ad from the CIPHI SK Branch’s advocacy campaign in the September 1, 2022, online edition of Swift Current’s newspaper publisher, the Southwest Booster.

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Stewart Valley School suffers extensive damage in fire

SOUTHWEST BOOSTER STAFF - August 25, 2022

Growing number of Fire Bans in place across the Southwest

SOUTHWEST BOOSTER STAFF - August 12, 2022

Saskatchewan Amber Alert ends after children safely located in South Dakota

SCOTT ANDERSON - August 10, 2022

Protect yourself from the heat this week

SOUTHWEST BOOSTER STAFF - July 12, 2022

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is reminding the public to take precautions during rising temperatures expected in many parts of the province this...

WEATHER

SWIFT CURRENT, SASKATCHEWAN

Clear Sky

32.5° C

22% 8.8km/h 0%

FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
26°	32°	30°	30°	27°

Confirmed tornado touched down near Rheinfeld on Monday

SOUTHWEST BOOSTER STAFF - June 21, 2022

Environment and Climate Change Canada has confirmed that a tornado touched down in the Southwest when a band of severe thunderstorms passed...

City inviting the public to an Inclusive Park Community Consultation

SOUTHWEST BOOSTER STAFF - June 15, 2022

CITY OF SWIFT CURRENT - A new inclusive park will be built in Swift Current and the City of Swift Current is...

Homestead Aerial returning to Swift Current June 17-18

SCOTT ANDERSON - June 15, 2022

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BOLO!



CIPHI SK Branch members were told to be on the lookout for CIPHI Advocacy Campaign Billboards in Saskatchewan, and three members were proud to share their findings!

Pictured are: Shawna Stevens (upper left) in Regina; Kari Engle-Carter (right) in Saskatoon; and Nicole White (lower left) in Regina.

13th Annual Professional Education And Development Seminar

“A Highlight on Wellness”

By Jennifer Reid, CPHI(C)

After two and a half years of unprecedented work during the global COVID-19 pandemic, and staying within our bubbles, environmental health professionals across Saskatchewan welcomed the opportunity to gather face to face, to further their professional development and reconnect with friends and colleagues.

The CIPHI Saskatchewan Branch held its 13th Annual Professional Education and Development Seminar (PEDS) in Regina, SK on October 4 and 5, 2022, at the Ramada Plaza by Wyndham Regina Downtown, and member turnout was very good.

Mental health and wellness was a prominent theme at this year’s PEDS, and the event kicked off with keynote speaker Tazz Norris, better known as “Big Daddy Tazz,” sharing a mix of comedic entertainment with an inspirational discussion on destigmatizing mental health struggles. This theme was carried into day two with keynote speaker, Darren Lang, working with members on strategies to manage stress and encouraging them to “chill and choose.”

The COVID-19 pandemic proved to be a very difficult and challenging time professionally for many members, and this year’s PEDS provided members the opportunity to share and discuss these challenges during an open fish-bowl forum, facilitated by Kari Engele-Carter, Public Health Officer with the Saskatchewan Health Authority and CIPHI Branch Executive Councilor.

All three speaking events were well received by members, and were a reminder of the importance of mental health and wellness.



“Big Daddy Tazz”



Kelsie Dale and Darren Lang

Other Notable Speakers...

Chief Cadmus Delorme Cowessess First Nation

Presentation Title: Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action - What we inherited and the responsibility we all have to do something about it.

Dr. Saqib Shahab, MBBS MRCP MPH FRCPC Chief Medical Health Officer

Nicole White, BA, BHSc, MSc, CIPHI(C), Saskatchewan Ministry of Health

Presentation Title: Saskatchewan Ministry of Health Update

Natalie Lowden, CPHI(C), CIPHI National Advocacy Director and CIPHI National President Elect

Presentation Title: CIPHI and Environmental Public Health Advocacy

Chris Smith and Olutoye Olowolafe, Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture

Presentation Title: Meat, Dairy, and Egg – Ministry of Agriculture Regulatory Overview

Priya Goundar, Bsc, MPH, Saskatchewan Ministry of Health

Presentation Title: COVID-19 Enforcement and Litigation Summary Update

Iga Stasiuk and Erin Swerdfeger, Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment

Presentation Title: Bats in the Belfry: Balancing Conservation and Public Health

Kari Engele-Carter, CPHI(C), Saskatchewan Health Authority

Presentation Title: COVID-19 member experiences – An open fishbowl session

Lydia Ma, National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health

Presentation Title: Supporting the COVID-19 Response and Recovery with Evidence: Importance of Timely Knowledge Translation

Lesley Desjardins, Saskatchewan Onsite Wastewater Management Association

Presentation Title: Onsite Wastewater Changes and Challenges 2022

Juliette O’Keeffe, National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health

Presentation Title: Climate change and Opportunistic Pathogens in the Built Environment

CIPHI SK BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING UPDATES

Submitted by

Kelsie Dale, CPHI(C)

The CIPHI Saskatchewan Branch Executive held its annual general meeting (AGM) on October 4. Finalized minutes are available for members to review on www.ciphi.ca.

- CIPHI SK Branch Executive: The Executive had three positions open for election this year.
 - o Heather Henderson was the successful candidate, and continues her excellent work in that position. Congratulations, Heather!
 - o A vote was held for two councilor positions, as there were three nominated candidates. Congratulations and welcome to Phi Pham and Kari Engele-Carter for being the successful candidates.
 - o Many thanks to the outgoing councilors, Ken Cross and Michael Hayduk. The work you did during your time on the executive was appreciated.
- The Newsletter Editor position was open for election this year. Congratulations, and welcome, to Jennifer Reid.
- Amendments were approved to the CIPHI SK Branch Constitution and portions of the By-laws. The updated Constitution and By-laws are available on the www.ciphi.ca website. While it was a time consuming process, it is great news for our organization to have these updates in place. Thank you to everyone in attendance for helping see these amendments through!
- There was no recipient of the CIPHI SK Branch Student Award this year; no applications were received.
- The CIPHI SK Branch Member of the Year Award was awarded to all Saskatchewan Branch Members!
- Three CIPHI SK Members received Awards from the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada this year! Congratulations to the recipients:
 - o Kari Engele-Carter received the *Leadership in Environmental Health Award*, sponsored by Hedgerow Software Ltd.
 - o Ken Cross received the *Duncan Ellison Canadian Water and Wastewater Association Award*, sponsored by the Canadian Water and Wastewater Association.
 - o Phi Pham received the *Continuing Education Award*, sponsored by the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada.
- A huge thanks to Michael Newell (registration), Verna Law (scrutineer), Carla Patterson (scrutineer), Kari Engele-Carter (facilitated virtual portion and scrutineer), Nicole White (parliamentarian), Theresa Reid (sergeant-at-arms), and Kevin Kapell (facilitated virtual portion) for volunteering during the AGM and ensuring the smooth and successful completion of this year's AGM!
- Thanks to all members for their participation in this AGM and Branch activities throughout the year. Your Executive appreciates and encourages your feedback and support.

MEMBER RECOGNITION



LEFT: CIPHI SK Branch Councilor, Mike McCann, presenting Kari Engele-Carter with a Certificate of Recognition for receiving the Leadership in Environmental Health Award, sponsored by Hedgerow Software Ltd.



ABOVE: CIPHI SK Branch Councilor, Mike McCann, presenting Ken Cross with a Certificate of Recognition for receiving the Duncan Ellison Canadian Water and Wastewater Association Award.



LEFT: CIPHI SK Branch Councilor, Mike McCann, presenting Phi Pham with a Certificate of Recognition for receiving the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada Continuing Education Award.

THANK YOU TO OUR PRESENTERS



Alden Georget with Erin Swerdfeger



Alden Georget with Lydia Ma



Alden Georget with Nicole White



Kelsie Dale with Dr. Saqib Shahab



Kelsie Dale with Natalie Lowden



Kelsie Dale with Priya Goundar



Kelsie Dale with Juliette O'Keeffe



Kelsie Dale with Chris Smith and Olutoye Olowolafe

BOARD OF CERTIFICATION UPDATES

Submitted by

George Koutsoulis, CPHI(C), BOC Representative, CIPHI SK Branch

Greetings CIPHI members:

I am pleased to provide you with an update regarding the current Board of Certification activities.

- The Board of Certification (BOC) Committee was busy completing environmental public health (EPH) program reviews in 2022. EPH schools are reviewed once every five years, to ensure they continue to meet CIPHI certification requirements. In 2022, the following EPH programs were reviewed:
 - Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University);
 - Concordia University of Edmonton; and
 - Cape Breton University.
- The Policy and Regulation Committee continues to update BOC policies, to ensure they are current.
- The Practicum Forms and Document Review Committee reviews and updates policies that outline practicum requirements. This committee is currently working on a special project to replace the current BOC practicum report requirement with an updated written report. The committee hopes to have the new process finalized for 2025.
- The BOC Committee continues to work at improving the CIPHI certification process.



MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Submitted by
Kelsie Dale, CPHI(C)

The 2022 CIPHI SK Branch *Member of the Year Award* was awarded to all CIPHI Saskatchewan Branch Members from 2020-2022. The nomination was put forward by myself, as CIPHI SK Branch President, and our CIPHI National President in 2022, Kevin Kapell, also a CIPHI SK Branch member. Here is an excerpt from the nomination:

The contribution of the SK Branch Members professionally and personally over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic response has been tremendous. The members, as Public Health Inspectors and Environmental Public Health Officers, played and continue to play a crucial role in keeping the Saskatchewan population healthy and safe. Members have been put in high-risk and stressful environments because of the nature of their activities, such as enforcing public health orders and conducting inspections. Your lived experiences during the pandemic need to be acknowledged and celebrated.

The actions and accomplishments of our members over the course of the COVID-119 pandemic response has clearly resulted in them presenting themselves as role models for our profession. While the road was not ever easy, and there were more than a few bumps along the way, our members triumphed under this near-impossible task, and for that we provide our strong recommendation that the CIPHI Saskatchewan Members jointly receive the 2022 Member of the Year Award.

LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER?

Submitted by

Pamela L. Scharfe, CPHI(C), Environmental Health Foundation of Canada Past Chair



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BOARD VACANCIES

The Charitable Division of CIPHI, the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada (EHFC) has new Board vacancies. The EHFC was established in 1989 by the CIPHI membership, to advance environmental public health in Canada and internationally through charitable, education and research initiatives. The activities of the EHFC are coordinated by a Board of Trustees. Members come from the environmental public health profession, educational institutions, government, and industry. The Board members give their time, experience, and expertise to the administration of the Foundation.

We currently have no representation from the CIPHI SK Branch and would welcome the contribution of one of our Saskatchewan colleagues. This is a rewarding volunteer opportunity.

Pre-requisite includes:

- CIPHI Regular, Retired, Student, or Honorary Members
- Interest and time to devote to the work of this voluntary board.

General:

- Term is for a minimum of two years with a minimum of four virtual board meetings per year.
- Required to sit on one of two committees (Advancement or Governance) with a minimum of four virtual meetings per year.

For additional information on the work of CIPHI's charity please view the EHFC website at www.EHFC.ca and follow us on Twitter-Facebook-Instagram-Linkedin

Please send an expression of interest via email to EHFCchair@gmail.com

The Board Chair will follow-up to provide you with additional information so you can make an informed decision on joining the Charitable Division of CIPHI.

ADVOCACY AFTER RETIREMENT

Submitted by

Russell Scott, CPHI(C), CIPHI Retirement Advisory Committee

The CIPHI Retirees Advisory Committee (RAC) was founded in 2005 and has two representatives from each Branch/Territory, as well as retired representatives that worked at the federal level.

CURRENT INITIATIVES:

- **New RAC Chair:** Peter Rogers, Federal Rep. July 2022
- **Salary Survey:** In 2022, the RAC updated the 2018 CPHI(C) Salary Survey, which is awaiting approval and posting on the CIPHI Website by the CIPHI National Executive Committee (NEC).
- **Retiree Survey:** We sent out a survey to retired and lifetime CIPHI members and retired non-members in November, for whom we had email addresses, asking for input on a variety of subjects including the retired membership fee. The survey report will be published and emailed to retirees in the next month or so.
- **Letters of Retirement and Letters of Condolence:** The Committee sends out letters, on behalf of the CIPHI NEC and Branches. We welcome receiving information from the Branches and colleagues about new retirees and the passing of colleagues. Details should be emailed to CiphiRetireesChair@gmail.com, and a letter will be sent out.
- **In Memoriam:** the RAC assists the National CIPHI Office with the preparation of an "In Memoriam" list included in the CIPHI Annual General Meeting (AGM) binder. The RAC produces a PowerPoint presentation to be shown during the "In Memoriam" portion of the AGM, to assist with memorializing our former colleagues. It is important to note that all holders of CPHI(C) are honoured, regardless of whether they were a member of CIPHI at the time of their death.
- **Retiree Contact Directory:** The RAC continues to maintain and update our database and ask that retirees provide us with their contact information, in addition to email, to ensure our files are current. We receive an annual Retiree and Life membership list from the CIPHI Office to update our retiree directory, but it is a challenge to keep track of retirees who are not members of CIPHI. Retirees who are non-members can email their contact information to CiphiRetireesChair@gmail.com.
- **Senators Forum Newsletter:** The RAC issues an annual newsletter. To receive the RAC annual newsletter, and other information of interest to retirees, please send your email to CiphiRetireesChair@gmail.com.
- **Facebook Page:** The RAC created a dedicated Facebook group, CIPHI Retirees, for those retirees interested in networking with retired CPHI(C)s.
- **CIPHI Website:** We will be working on updating committee information on the CIPHI website.

The CIPHI Retirees Advisory Committee has created a Facebook group. If you are on Facebook, and would like to join our "closed" CPHI(C) Retirees group, please send an email to:

ciphiretireschair@gmail.com

to request an invite.

Be sure to provide your Facebook name.

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

“Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal”

Ryan Philipation, Senior Public Health Officer with the Saskatchewan Health Authority, was presented with a *Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal (Saskatchewan)* for “demonstrating exceptional qualities and outstanding service to our province in the field of health services”.

Prior to her passing, Queen Elizabeth II approved the creation of a commemorative medal in honour of the 70th anniversary of Her Majesty’s accession to the throne as Queen of Canada. This medal was awarded to residents of Saskatchewan who have made a significant contribution to Canada, Saskatchewan, their communities, or fellow citizens.

A huge congratulations to Ryan for all of his hard work, and the contributions he’s made to the Saskatchewan Health Authority and to his community.



Ryan Philipation (left) receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal from MLA, Todd Goudy (right).

“National Education Conference”

CIPHI announced the 87th Annual National Education Conference will be on September 17 through 20, 2023. This year’s conference will be hosted in beautiful, St. John, New Brunswick. More information will be available on www.ciphi.ca in the coming months.

A promotional graphic for the 87th Annual National Education Conference. It features a blue and white color scheme. On the left, there is a photograph of a waterfront city with buildings and boats. Below the photo, the text reads "SEPTEMBER 17-20 2023". In the center, the CIPHI logo is displayed, consisting of a blue circle with a white maple leaf and the letters "ciphi". Below the logo, it says "ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE" and "CONFÉRENCE ÉDUCATIVE ANNUELLE". To the right of the logo, it says "SAINT JOHN NEW BRUNSWICK". At the bottom, there are two small photographs: one of a historic building and one of a modern building at night. The ICISP logo is in the bottom left corner.

“Environmental Health Foundation of Canada Award Information”

Who is Eligible?: Those working in the field of environmental public health and are a member of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (CIPHI).

Restrictions: An individual can only receive any one of the awards once. No current member of the EHFC Board of Trustees is eligible.

How to Apply: Nominations open **in May** each year. To nominate an individual, or team of individuals, describe in a letter of no more than 500 words how your nominee fulfills the award criteria. Complete and submit the **nomination form** to **EHFCchair@gmail.com** and attach the nomination letter.

The award recipients will be announced at the CIPHI National Annual Education Conference. **If you are nominating a person for more than one award, please complete a nomination form and provide a nomination letter for each award.** Past nominations that did not receive an award can be resubmitted using the revised nomination form.

For more information, please visit <https://www.ehfc.ca/award-descriptions>.



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CIPHI National Executive Committee



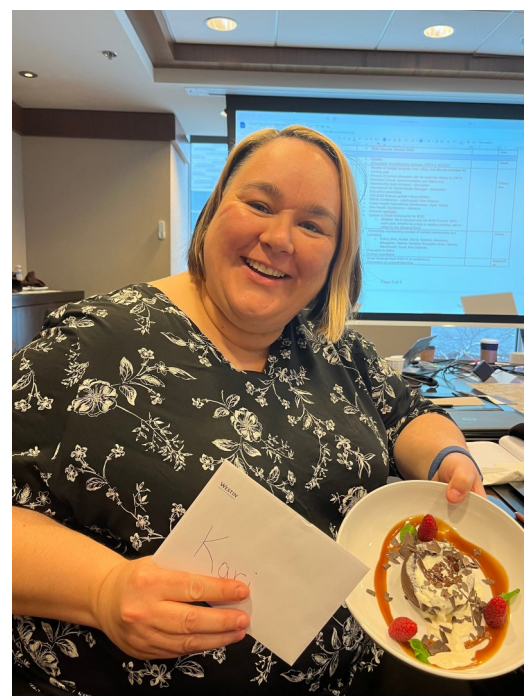
Back row (L to R) - Jillian Young (CIPHI Newfoundland Branch President); David MacDonald (CIPHI Nova Scotia/PEI Branch President); Joël-André Hachey (CIPHI New Brunswick/Quebec President); John Cannan (CIPHI Ontario Branch President); Cristina Bueti (CIPHI Manitoba Branch President); Kelsie Dale (CIPHI Saskatchewan Branch President); Scott Budgell (CIPHI Alberta Branch President); Valerie Jackson (CIPHI British Columbia Branch President)

Front Row (L to R) - Kari Engele-Carter (CIPHI National Education Director); Natalie Lowdon (CIPHI National President-Elect); Casey Neathway (CIPHI National President); Kevin Kapell (CIPHI National Past President); Ann Thomas (CIPHI National Policy Director); Meaghan Allen (CIPHI National Advocacy Director).

Go Kari, it's your birthday...

CIPHI SK Branch Councilor, and member, Kari Engele-Carter celebrated her birthday at the CIPHI National Executive Committee's meeting.

Happy birthday, Kari, and thank you for all you do for CIPHI, nationally and provincially!



CIPHI SK Branch Merchandise



It may be early, but golf season will be here in no time!

The Branch has CIPHI SK golf balls available for **only \$10/pack of 3!**

The Branch is looking at expanding the merchandise offered, and we need to hear from you!

If you are interested in supporting our Branch by buying CIPHI SK Branch t-shirts, golf shirts, hat, toques, or something completely different, let us know.

Requests for merchandise and golf ball purchases can be directed to:

Alden Georget, CIPHI SK Branch Councilor, councilor1@ciphi-sk.ca.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Is there something you'd like to see in the newsletter?

Have content you would like to contribute?

Email suggestions to Jennifer Reid at newsletter@ciphi-sk.ca.

Suggestions may include:

- CIPHI Advocacy Campaign photos
- Birth, death and retirement notices
- Accomplishments, stories of interest, recognition of peers
- Any photos related to CIPHI SK Branch, PEDS, and our profession

Please ensure any photos or images submitted are open-sourced and/or with the consent of those pictured.