



## UNW 2019 Occupational Health & Safety Conference “Health & Safety Matter”

**Date:** Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

### ***OPTIONAL PSAC Education sessions – Introduction to Health & Safety***

Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup> – Yellowknife participants

Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> – Out of town participants

**Location:** UNW training room, first floor 4910 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, Yellowknife

### **Description:**

The UNW will be holding its annual Occupational Health & Safety Conference this coming February with a goal of preparing our Occupational Health & Safety representatives with strategies and tools to use their rights and effectively communicate with their Employer to achieve timely resolution to Health & Safety issues in the workplace.

The Conference will explore the current state of workplace Health & Safety Committees with a view to building on best practices and to brainstorm on ways to improve the functioning of all work place Health & Safety Committees. The Workers’ Safety and Compensation Commission will be presenting on a number of hot topics including:

- Occupational Health & Safety Programs for worksites
- Impairment in the Workplace
- Return to Work

Being a workplace Health & Safety representative is a challenging and rewarding way to make a meaningful contribution to the health & safety of your workplace and the lives of your co-workers. It is a critical aspect of the strength of the union

in the workplace and we want to provide you with the training you need to feel confident and to be able to network with a fellow members to advance Health & Safety matters in the workplace.

**We invite you to join us for 2 days of workshops, discussion and collaboration on February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in Yellowknife.**

There will also be an opportunity to attend a PSAC introductory Health and Safety course PSAC education course. This training is open to UNW members who have completed a Union introduction course, (i.e. Talking Union Basics). The Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) offers online education courses which can be found at the following link: <http://learn.vubiz.com/ChAccess/PSAC/Default.asp>

**Members must be current Occupational Health & Safety Co-Chairs or willing to take on that role at the conclusion of the Conference. Members will also be required to have 2 Local Executive Officers sign off on your application.**

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In Solidarity,

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