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NOTICE TO MEMBERS:

Re: Updates and Changes to Continuing Professional Development – Law Society of Yukon – May 2020 and Updated October 2020

This is a reminder that under rule 94 of the Rules of the Law Society of Yukon, members must complete, by December 31, one hour of CPD activities for each full or partial month during the calendar year the member was an active member. Under rule 96 a member who was active any time during the calendar year must by January 31 of the next year, file with the Executive Director a CPD Report in Form 16 setting out the number of months during the year the member was active and the CPD activities completed by the member. A reminder notice and blank Form 16 – CPD Report will be circulated to members in December of each year.

Take note that members who completed education requirements of a law society in a comparable jurisdiction in Canada are no longer exempt under the new Rules.

Members who are also called in another jurisdiction must now meet the requirements set out in rule 94 and report their CPD hours under rule 96 by January 31 of the following calendar year. It is no longer sufficient to indicate that you have met the requirements in a comparable jurisdiction.

A copy of the CPD Rules and Guidelines are available on the Society's website at the following link: lawsocietyyukon.com . We encourage all members to review the CPD Rules and Guidelines.

Impact of COVID-19 on in-person CPD events hosted by the CPD Committee

As with most events, COVID-19 restrictions have impacted the ability of the CPD Committee to host CPD events for the local bar. It is unknown at this time when the restrictions or conditions will allow for in-person CPD events. Until such time as in-person CPD events are able to proceed, the CPD Committee will be transitioning to a virtual format and reducing fees. The committee is in the process of adjusting to this new format and will provide information on upcoming CPD events hosted by the Law Society of Yukon in the near future. A list of upcoming CPD events are available on the Society website at the following link: [Law Society of Yukon CPD Events](#)

The Committee would also like to share with members the following list of links to providers who offer CPD activities remotely. Membership is not a requirement for access:

British Columbia	Law Society of British Columbia Continuing Legal Education Society of BC Law Society Online Learning Centre
Alberta	Law Society of Alberta Legal Education Society of Alberta
Saskatchewan	Law Society of Saskatchewan [email cpd@lawsociety.sk.ca with your requests].
Manitoba	Law Society of Manitoba [email cpdonline@lawsociety.mb.ca with your requests].
Ontario	Law Society of Ontario
Québec	Barreau du Quebec
Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia Barristers' Society

Canadian Bar Association - Professional Development Resources offers its members webinars and on demand recorded webinar catalogue. You can arrange for a non-member account to access their courses.

CPD Online supplies on demand CPD videos for legal professionals.

Courthouse Libraries BC provides CPD live and recorded/archived webinars for free on a wide range of legal topics.

Yukon University provides an online Yukon First Nations 101. For more info go to yukonu.ca/courses/yfn-001

Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice offers CPD events for legal professionals.

Osgoode Hall Law School offers CPD training [osgoodepd.ca/continuing-legal-education/]

Ashton College offers courses through there Immigration Practitioner Centre [<https://www.ashtoncollege.ca/department/immigration-practitioner-centre/>]

If you have any questions with respect to Continuing Professional Development requirements or offerings please contact staff at the Society at info@lawsocietyyukon.com or by phoning 867-668-4231.