



**YUKON WORKERS'
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Board Hires New President & CEO

The Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board (YWCHSB) is pleased to announce the appointment of Valerie Royle as its new President and Chief Executive Officer. The appointment takes effect October 3.

Ms. Royle has held senior positions with the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission of Newfoundland and Labrador since 1993. She has been Executive Director, Worker Services since 2001. In that position, she has been responsible for areas such as stakeholder consultation, policy development and training. She has led the implementation of PRIME, an incentive program that promises a financial savings for employers who follow good prevention and return-to-work practices.

"We were seeking a dynamic leader with a wealth of experience in workers' compensation and a strong commitment to the prevention of workplace injuries and illnesses," said Craig Tuton, Chair of the Board of Directors. "We're very pleased to say we have all of this with Ms. Royle."

Ms. Royle has also served as Director, Human Resources/Facilities Management and as Manager of Assessment Services for the Commission. She holds a Master of Business Administration degree and has been an instructor at Memorial University since 1998, teaching business communications, marketing and organizational behavior.

Former YWCHSB President and CEO, Tony Armstrong, resigned in May, following several months of medical leave. Gerry Meier has been Acting President and CEO since January.

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