

Measuring Up North workshop in city today aims at employment

Measuring Up The North, a project that facilitates the development of livable, disability-friendly, age-friendly, universally designed, inclusive communities for all residents and visitors in Northern British Columbia, will host a workshop "Increasing Employment of Persons with Disabilities and Older Adults through Community and Small Business Changes" to be held at the Ramada Inn in Prince George today.

"This workshop will build knowledge and capacity for the communities and businesses to prepare them for the untapped market of persons with disabilities and older people as workers and customers" said Mary Sjostrom, steering committee chair, who also sits on the Minister's Council on Employment for Persons with Disabilities.

Several local and provincial speakers will present on best practice strategies for businesses and communities to become more accessible and inclusive including representatives from the Ministry of Healthy Living and Sport as well as the Ministry of Housing and Social Development.