

For our Medical Supplies and Equipment Providers

Summer 2002

NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to the summer 2002 edition of our quarterly newsletter. We are now in our fourth year of operations as the claims processor for the NIHB Program of the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) of Health Canada.

Again, FCH would like to thank you for your support as you continue to provide quality health services to First Nations and Inuit clients of the NIHB Program.

As always, your comments and questions are welcome. Please call our Toll-Free Inquiry Centre Representatives at **1-888-471-1111**, or send your correspondence to:

FCH Provider Relations
3080 Yonge Street, Suite 3002
Toronto ON M4N 3N1

following First Nations Bands:

671 - Gingolx (Kincolith)
677 - Gitlakdamix (New Aiyanish)
678 - Lakalzap (Greenville)
679 - Gitwinksihlkw (Canyon City)

MS&E PRIOR APPROVALS – YUKON REGION

Yukon Territory providers are reminded that MS&E items requiring prior approval must now be obtained from the Northern Secretariat at the following address or phone/fax numbers:

Medical Supplies & Equipment Analyst
Non-Insured Health Benefits
Northern Secretariat
First Nations and Inuit Health Branch
60 Queen Street, 14th Floor
Address Locator 3914A
Ottawa ON K1P 5Y7

Tel.: **1-888-332-9222**

Fax: **1-800-949-2718**

NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER AND FAX NUMBER FOR THE NISGA'A VALLEY HEALTH BOARD

MS&E providers requiring prior approvals for services to Nisga'a First Nations must call 1-888-233-2212 or (250) 633-5000, or fax requests to the Nisga'a Valley Health Board NIHB office at (250) 633-2512.

For information on Nisga'a First Nations client eligibility, or to obtain information on the Nisga'a Valley Health Board MS&E plan, please contact the Nisga'a Valley NIHB Office at 1-888-233-2212.

The Nisga'a Valley Health Board represents the