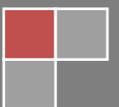


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Happy Fall, ladies!

I am honored to have been re-elected to a third term on the MO Admin, and excited to be your new Education and Health chairperson. It is with a touch of homesickness, however, that I send this first memo. As mentioned in my election bio, my husband was posted OUTCAN and we moved our family to Alabama this summer. We are thrilled to be here, but I miss my CWL sisters – especially when I think of you all gathering with your councils for monthly meetings and chapel activities. I'm so grateful for this chance to stay connected and I'm looking forward to learning and working with you in this new term.

My goals for this year are to keep you informed of the news from National through e-mails and memos, and to encourage awareness and action on the Education and Health resolutions. This is my first real crack at the Education and Health standing committee, and given its seemingly unlimited scope of topics to cover, I'd like to focus on the bigger picture for now. In addition, I will do my best to provide assistance to your councils in support of the topics and issues you choose to pursue. I may live far away, but I'm in the central time zone and easy to contact by e-mail. Don't hesitate to get in touch!

In her first communiqué, National Chairperson of Education and Health Nancy Simms introduced herself and reviewed some highlights from the National Convention in Fredericton. 3 of the 5 resolutions that passed this year are relevant to this standing committee. The topics include electronic cigarettes, flavoured tobacco products, and standardized newborn screening. As a starting point for this fall, if you don't already have an activity or report planned, I'd like to suggest reading and discussing these resolutions with your council. They can be found on the National website (www.cwl.ca), along with Ms. Simms' full communiqué. In it she also provides links to further information on the presentations given at the National Convention, namely a talk on mental health awareness, a leadership program for Aboriginal women at Coady International Institute, and a reminder about our National Bursary Fund.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families! God bless you and your councils as you ramp up to one of the busiest times of the year. Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us!

Your sister in the League,

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