

A Message from the National Children's Alliance (NCA)

NCA News, September 19th, 2002

- 1. The Fall 2002 Throne Speech will be delivered on Monday, September 30th. There will be a viewing held at 75 Albert Street, in the NVO Boardroom for all member organizations, beginning at 2:30 p.m.**
- 2. National Children's Alliance Roundtable on *Children with Disabilities* planned for December 9 – 10, 2002. Please hold these dates. The Roundtable will be held in Ottawa, Venue TBD.**
- 3. The National Children's Alliance has requested and received an extension for the submission of a brief to the Standing Committee on Finance. Also, the NCA has been added to the list of invited witnesses to present to the Standing Committee.**
- 4. The next meeting of the National Children's Alliance will be held on Wednesday, October 16th at 9:00 a.m., in the NVO Boardroom.**
- 5. A planning committee is needed for the upcoming Roundtable on *Children with Disabilities*. Participation needed.**
- 6. Please find attached:**
 - a. Minutes from the NCA General Meeting held on September 12th, 2002.**
 - b. Proceedings from June Roundtable, "Developing a Public Policy Agenda for Children Ages 6 to 12" in MS Word Format.**
 - c. NCA Funding Proposal, *Implementing the National Children's Agenda*, currently being considered by Health Canada and HRDC.**
 - d. A report by Dr. Gina Browne, "Meeting the Needs of School Age Children for Effective Mental Health Programs: A Synthesis of Reviews," as a follow up document to her presentation at the NCA June Roundtable.**

1. The Fall Throne Speech will be delivered on Monday, September 30th, at 3:00 p.m. All NCA member organizations are invited to meet in the NVO Boardroom, at 75 Albert Street, Suite 301 at 2:30 p.m. to view the speech together, and

subsequently begin developing a collaborative response. Please RSVP your attendance at this meeting by September 27th, 2002. RSVP to Stephanie Pearce at spearce@nvo-onb.ca, or phone (613) 238-1591 ext. 245.

2. The National Children's Alliance will be holding a Roundtable on *Children with Disabilities*, on December 9th and 10th. This Roundtable will be held in Ottawa, with the location to be announced.

3. The National Children's Alliance has requested and received an extension on the deadline to submit briefs to the Standing Committee on Finance. Also, the Alliance has been added to the list of invited witnesses to present before the Committee. Member organizations will be notified once our hearing date is finalized. Also, we are now preparing our brief and request that any member organizations who have already completed their briefs to please send a copy to the NCA to help inform our document. Please send all briefs to Sylvia Fanjoy, at sfanjoy@nvo-onb.ca.

4. The next NCA meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16th, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon in the NVO Boardroom, at 75 Albert Street, Suite 301.

5. A planning committee is needed to help organize and oversee the NCA Roundtable on *Children with Disabilities*, scheduled for December 9th and 10th, 2002. If you are interested in taking part in this committee please contact Stephanie Pearce or Dianne Bascombe.

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