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Ms. Lyla Andrew
Director of Child, Youth and Family Services (Innu Region)
Labrador-Grenfell Health
P.O. Box 7000, Station C
Happy Valley-Goose Bay, NL A0P 1C0

Dear Ms. Andrew:

Re: Strategic Plan for Services for Children, Youth and their Families

On behalf of the Honourable Ross Wiseman, Minister of Health and Community Services and the Steering Committee for Strategic Plan for Children, Youth and their Families, I am pleased to invite you to participate in a planning forum for a strategic plan for Services for Children, Youth and their Families.

The planning forum will be held on February 12 & 13, 2008 at the Delta Hotel, St. John's, NL. The aim of the forum is to obtain input for the mission, vision, values and strategic goals for the strategic plan. We are inviting a broad range of participants representing health professionals, educators, community partners, the justice system, labour organizations and government departments. We hope that this broad range of participation will ensure the level of integration and innovation which must occur to spur a significant impact on service delivery for the benefit of the health and well being of children, youth and their families. We will be examining the entire spectrum of services, ranging from pre-natal care and early childhood development, to child protection and young offenders.

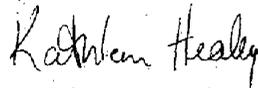
A draft agenda is attached for your information. A final agenda and related support documents will be provided in advance of the planning forum. We would appreciate your **confirmation of attendance by February 5, 2008** by calling the undersigned at 729-0180 or through email at khealey@gov.nl.ca. Please advise of any dietary restrictions at that time.

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A block of rooms has been set aside at the Delta rate of \$116.00 per night for a standard single room. Please call 1-800-268-1133 and advise that you are with the Department of Health and Community Services.

We look forward to your participation and valued input.

Sincerely,



KATHLEEN HEALEY
Project Coordinator

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Attachment

**AGENDA
PLANNING FORUM
Strategic Plan for Services for Children, Youth and their Families
Delta Hotel, St. John's, NL
February 12 & 13, 2008**

Tuesday, January 8, 2008		Wednesday, January 9, 2008	
08:30	Registration	9:00	Welcome Back and Review of Yesterday's Work
09:00	Welcome, Introductions, Purpose and Agenda Overview	9:15	Panel Presentation: A Context for Goal Setting
09:15	Opening Remarks	10:30	Nutrition Break
09:30	Presentation	10:50	Developing Strategic Goals
10:30	Nutrition Break	12:15	Lunch (provided)
10:50	Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities and Challenges	13:15	Small Group Reports
12:00	Lunch (provided)	14:35	Next Steps
13:00	Crafting the Vision and Mission	15:00	Conclusion of Forum
14:15	Nutrition Break		
14:35	Crafting the Values		
16:00	Conclusion of Day 1		