

UPDATES – YOUTH NETWORK GROUP – JANUARY 2018

In Attendance:

RCMP	Dwayne Latham / Dean Hoogland
Yukon Association for Community Living	Erin Kohler
Youth Directorate	Chris Nash / Gord Kurzynski
Youth of Today Society / Shakat	Paige Hopkins
Yukon Women in Trades and Technology	Sam Hand

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yukon

[Angela Krueger](#), Executive Director: 867-668-7911

- You can now sign up to be a "Big" through our website www.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/yukon
 - -can also sign up "Littles" through the website as well
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Yukon Association for Community Living

[Erin Kohler](#), Peer Mentor Coordinator

- YACL's Peer Mentor program has started up again for the school year. It is a mixed-abilities group of youth aged from 13-21 who meet every Wednesday evening from 6-8pm at YACL for games, activities, and leadership development.
 - We are currently looking to hire two mature high school aged students as peer mentors who will join their peers with intellectual disabilities at the Peer Mentor meetings every week to assist with programming, provide support to participants, and most importantly make friends. Additionally we are always looking for more youth to join our group every week, regardless of ability, so please spread the word!
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Yukon Child & Youth Advocate Office

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The Yukon Child and Youth Advocate Office is an independent office of the Yukon Legislative Assembly that represents the rights, views and preferences of children and youth who are eligible or currently receiving government services and programs. These services may be in the areas of Family and Children's Services, Health, Education, Mental Health or Youth Justice. The Advocate's primary concern is to ensure that a child or youth's rights views or preferences are heard and considered in decisions that affect their lives.

In addition to individual advocacy, YCAO provides systemic advocacy and public education about the role of the office and the rights of children.

- Staffing:
Annette King – Child and Youth Advocate;
Bengie Clethero, Deputy Child and Youth Advocate;
Annie Blake – Administration/Communications Assistant
- Individual advocacy continues to be in high demand for services. We are promoting children's rights in government services and monitoring TRC calls to action regarding child welfare and education.

Yukon Workers Compensation Health and Safety Board

[Vanessa Stewart](#) & [Natalie Thivierge](#)

(867) 332.1058

- We are creating a Risk Management Workshop to be delivered to interested summer camps.
- It will be specific to risks in summer camps and it will be hands on, engaging workshop
- The workshop will be 1.5 hours.
- Contact us to book your staff during your training weeks (we are flexible with times and dates)

The next YNG meeting: Tuesday, **March 13, 2018 @ 1:30 p.m.**

Location: TBA

(To avoid March Break, year end and Easter)