

# AIDE-MÉMOIRE MEMBER SERVICES

Wolastoqiyik Wahsipekuk First Nation Members Services Document



## **MEMBER SERVICES**

Here is an "aide-mémoire" document, which will serve as a reference in order to quickly find the services/programs offered to the members of the Wolastoqiyik Wahsipekuk First Nation as well as the contact information of the people who will give you all the necessary information.

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Do you have questions about your Indigenous status, do you want to know what the requirements are to obtain status, are you looking for information on the status of an application, do you want to update your contact information (change of address, death notice or other) or do you simply need to clarify the procedures and know which forms are required?

We invite you to contact the WWFN registrar to obtain the information and guidance you need.

**Registrar:** 418-860-2393/1-888-399-2393 # 210

registre@malecites.ca

### HEALTH

Are you a Status Member (054) of the WWFN? Here is an outline of the Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) program available to you.

The NIHB Program may reimburse (under certain conditions) the following services:

- Vision care;
- Dental care;
- Medical transportation;
- Medication;
- Medical equipment and supplies;
- Short-term crisis mental health intervention services.

As soon as you receive your card, you must notify your health care professionals: attending physician, dentists, optometrists and your pharmacy. When you receive care, they will have to verify your eligibility, have a pre-authorization or predetermination before proceeding (ex.: dental care, psychological support). For the purchase of equipment and supplies (e.g., CPAP), the supplier contacts the program itself. For the pharmacy, if your medication requires authorization, the pharmacist will contact your attending physician or the exception centre.

We invite you to contact the WWFN Health Officer to verify if a care is covered or for any questions regarding procedures. The Health Officer will be able to provide coaching if you are having difficulty completing a reimbursement form or assist you in writing a letter if you wish to appeal a decision made by the NIHB.

#### Health Officer:

418-860-2393/1-888-399-2393 # 210 sante@malecites.ca

If you wish to contact the NIHB Program directly: 1-877-483-1575. Have your status number (054) ready.

### EDUCATION, EMPLOYABILITY

You wish to pursue post-secondary studies, return to school or change jobs? Various forms of support for academic and professional development are available as well as financial assistance for post-secondary studies (CEGEP, University), vocational studies (DEP) and general upgrading diplomas. Employability measures are also available. These financial assistance and support programs are available to registered members and citizens (under certain conditions).

Contact the employment and training coordinator to find out about the eligibility requirements, for any questions regarding the various programs or simply if you need help completing the various documents.

#### **Employment and Training Coordinator:**

418-860-2393 / 1-888-399-2393 # 207 education@malecites.ca

### **ENTREPRENEURS, BUSINESS START-UPS**

Are you a status member (054) and dreaming of starting your own business? Financing is available for indigenous people. Accompaniment measures are offered for the creation of your business plan, for the development of your financial forecasts and for the search for financing.

If you are a citizen member, you can also benefit from technical support to develop your business plan and your financial forecasts.

If you have any questions about your business or your eligibility for the programs offered, contact the economic development coordinator.

Economic and Community Development Coordinator:

418-860-2393 / 1-888-399-2393 # 216 dev.economique@malecites.ca

### **COMMUNITY DISTRIBUTION**

The Wolastoqiyik Wahsipekuk First Nation provides its members with hunting and fishing products through a community distribution.

Information and application forms are sent to you during the summer and the distribution takes place in December. Pick-up locations and times are communicated to you in a timely manner.

If you have any questions, or need assistance in completing an application Contact the Community Distribution Manager.

Community Distribution Manager:

418-860-2393 / 1-888-399-2393 # 220 adm.peches@malecites.ca



### DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS

One-time assistance, available to WWFN members who request it, of up to \$500 for a donation and up to \$1000 for a sponsorship. Requests are treated confidentially and reviewed by the Council of Elders. Under certain conditions. Priority is given to low-income members.

For more information or to receive a copy of the policy and the application form, contact the person in charge of the donations and sponsorships file.

Person in charge of the donations and sponsorships file:

418-860-2393 /1-888-399-2393 # 206 projets@malecites.ca

### INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' TAXATION

The following sections deal with taxation.

Cautionary Note

This section is intended to provide general information on indigenous peoples' tax issues. This information is not legal advice and should not be treated or relied upon as such.

Legal counsel should be consulted to obtain legal advice regarding a specific situation.

The information in this section is taken from the Revenu Québec website. In the event of a discrepancy between the information contained in this section and that of Revenu Québec, the information published by Revenu Québec shall prevail.

The term "Indian" is used in this notice to be consistent with the Indian Act. This section is therefore intended for status members (054) of the WWFN.

The source of the tax exemption to which Indians may be entitled is set out in section 87 of the Indian Act.

In this section, you will find general information to answer the questions most frequently asked by members regarding the tax exemption.

#### General information about properties located on reserve

The right to tax exemption is limited to goods and services located on a reserve. Therefore, in order for a good to be exempt from taxes (federal goods and services tax [GST] and Quebec sales tax [QST]), it must be purchased on a reserve or delivered on a reserve. The service must be rendered entirely on a reserve or the property must be located on a reserve at the time of service in order for the tax exemption to apply. It is not necessary to live on a reserve to benefit from this tax exemption.

In the event that a merchant refuses to exempt you from taxes, even though the property was delivered on a reserve, you can fill out the FP-2189 form available online on the Revenu Québec website to request a refund. In this case, you must have proof of purchase of the goods, proof of delivery on a reserve and your certificate of Indian status.

Some merchants will want to complete the Revenu Québec form LE-20 specifically designed to certify delivery to a reserve.

#### **Purchasing a vehicle**

If you have a new or used vehicle delivered to a reserve, it may be tax-free. The dealer will often require photos of the delivery on a reserve.

If you purchase a vehicle from a private individual and it is delivered on a reserve, it is also possible to be exempted from the payment of the QST normally payable upon transfer of the vehicle to the Société d'assurance automobile du Québec (SAAQ). You must have the VDE-23 certificate. In order to do so, you must complete the Revenu Québec form VD-55.1. You will also need to have the contract of sale for the vehicle, proof of delivery of the property on a reserve and your Certificate of Indian Status to complete this form.

In this case, the proof of delivery on reserve can be done by a declaration from the seller describing the road vehicle in detail and specifying the name of the reserve where the vehicle was delivered or the seller can fill out form LE-20 available on the Revenue Quebec website.



#### **Fuel Tax Exemption**

The Indian Fuel Tax Exemption Management Program was designed to allow Indians to purchase fuel for their own use at a service station located on a reserve without having to pay fuel tax at the time of purchase. To register for this program, you must complete form CA-1001 available on the Revenu Québec website. You will then receive a registration certificate (card).

If your personal information changes or if your certificate (card) is lost or stolen, you will have to fill out and submit form CA-1001.M so that a new certificate can be issued.

If you purchase fuel from a reserve and you are not exempt at the time of purchase, either because you did not participate in the program or because the service station where you made the purchase did not participate in the program, you can apply for a refund of this tax by completing form CA-90 also available on the Revenu Québec website. You must then attach proof (invoice) of fuel purchases made on a reserve. Revenu Québec accepts claims not exceeding four years from the date of purchase.

#### Health–Quebec Drug Insurance Plan Contribution RAMQ

When you do not have the option of being covered by a basic drug insurance plan offered by a group insurance plan (private plan), you must, in principle, contribute to the financing of the public prescription drug insurance plan of Quebec, among other things, by paying a contribution when you file an income tax return. However, you do not have to pay a contribution if you were throughout the year an Indian registered with Aboriginal Services Canada (ASC).

If you are in this situation, you will have to enter the number 24, the number corresponding to this situation, on the line 449 of your income tax return.

For more information on this subject, we invite you to consult the following web page: https://www.revenuquebec.ca/en/citizens/income-tax-return/completing-your-incometax-return/completing-your-income-tax-return/line-by-line-help/400-to-447-income-taxand-contributions/line-447/

#### CONTACTS OF THE DIFFERENT "MEMBER SERVICES" SECTORS

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