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Message from CDAA Chair:

## Toolkits

by Dorothy Ritz

Chair, Board of Directors, Career Development Association of Alberta

This issue of *Career Momentum* focuses on building your toolkit. Toolkits come in various formats and equip us to effectively manage various aspects of day to day life including the challenges of work, raising children, paying rent / mortgages, ...

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## Build Your Toolkit with the CDAA

by Paula Wischoff Yerama, BMgt, CCDP, RRP, RVP

Executive Director, Career Development Association of Alberta

There is no better way to build your toolkit than through membership or affiliation with a professional association. The Career Development Association of Alberta (CDAA) exists for that very purpose - to ensure you have access to ...

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## CDAA's Annual Fall Professional Development Event: How to Leverage Hot Jobs to Your Client's Advantage

by Arlayna Alcock  
Membership and Chapter Development Committee (MCDC) Chair

The Career Development Association of Alberta is proud to host the fall multi-chapter event in a community near you from October 24th-28th, 2016. Members can expect to build their knowledge and skills in accessing and interpreting ...

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## Alberta Works Week 2016 – Wrap Up

by Government of Alberta

More than 8,500 Albertans attended nearly 70 career and employment events held in 35 communities across the province during Alberta Works Week: April 25-29, 2016. Alberta Works Week was an important initiative with the current ...

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## Celebrating Canada's Indigenous People

by Sherri Kellock  
Aboriginal Youth Worker, City of Calgary

Oki, Tansi, Edlónat'e, Aanii, āba watOéc, Tanshi and Hello.

On June 21st Canada is celebrating the 20th Anniversary of National Aboriginal Day.

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## Are You Bondable? Dispelling Misconceptions About Job Applications

by Cristina Amaro Benzaquen

Employment Partnership Specialist, Calgary John Howard Society

Have you ever filled out a job application and came across the question "are you bondable?" Did you hesitate to answer, not really knowing what it meant?

For many of the clients we serve at the Calgary ...

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## Skills Evolution or Revolution? – Building Your Toolkit

by Tracey Campbell

Editor of Career Momentum, CDAA Board member, and Chair of the Marketing and Communications Committee

To be successful in the next decade individuals will need to demonstrate foresight in navigating a rapidly shifting global employment landscape with ever-changing skill requirements. People will increasingly be called upon ...

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## New Job Matching Tool

by Kevin Hanson

Forest Products Association of Canada

It's a vital industry with a presence right across the country. Its history is as long and storied as its future is bright and promising, with increasingly innovative products ranging from biofuels to cosmetics. It also plays an important role ...

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## Agriculture: Putting Green Into Your Toolkit

From the Editor's Desk

Alberta has one of the world's most productive agricultural economies, and it is Canada's 2nd largest agricultural producer, earning 22% of Canada's farm cash receipts. There are over 62,000 farmers in Alberta. The diversity of landscapes ...

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Profile of a Career Development Professional:

**Cindy Bojda**

From the Editor's Desk

Cindy Bojda is a home-based career consultant for *Right Management* from Red Deer, Alberta and is often described by her peers as a "reinvention strategist". Some would argue that it is this quality that distinguishes her from other ...

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## Career Development and the Post-Secondary Student

by Dorothy Ritz  
B.Ed, MA

This article is based on observations and insights gathered from personal experience working with university students for over twenty-two years. I will discuss my thoughts on what may occur previous to, during and subsequent to ...

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## The Effects of a Youth Criminal Record

by Leita Blasetti

It is assumed that the criminal records of youth aged 12-17 are kept private. The youth criminal justice system is more nuanced and some information may be available to employers of youth into the future. Career practitioners working with ...

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## CAREER CURRENTS

Compiled by Debbie Pratt & Tracey Campbell  
CDAA Marketing & Communications Committee

Choosing a career in today's world is more difficult than it has ever been. With billions of people working on our planet, we have more career options available to us than ever before. Career and life coach **Christopher James Lawrence** shows ...

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## New on ALIS: Getting Back on Your Feet When the Job Market is Tight

by Government of Alberta

In a tight job market, this new article on ALIS can help your clients re-enter the labour market on their transferable skills. Changes in the labour market can mean that your occupation no longer provides as many opportunities ...



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## Expand Your Thinking

by Paula Wischoff Yerama  
BMgt, CCDP, RRP, RVP

What was the last career decision you made? What were some of the factors you considered in making that decision? Did you use a formal process to make your decision? Looking back, is there anything you wished you would have thought about ...



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## - New Members / New CCDPs -

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### **New Members**

Andrea Aarden  
Abdoulaye Barry  
Cindy Bojda

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### **New CCDPs**

Shannon Giroux-Wong  
Melanie-Carole Laverdiere  
Solomon Nega

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CONGRATULATIONS

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## - Upcoming Events -

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