



New Brunswick Human Rights Commission

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Partnerships and common messages

When I was with the Commission, we started heavy involvement with the Workplace Health and Safety Compensation Commission, which now is called WorkSafe NB, and because we were both interested in getting employees returned to the workplace and having a return-to-work plan, and realizing that employers had to accommodate these employees who had been injured on the job. So we worked very closely together, giving presentations together, streamlining our documentation so there was just one united story going out to the public. I think that may have happened as well with the LGBTQ community and so that everyone's rights and responsibilities were clearly communicated on both sides. I know we have been very involved with the disability community. I'm not sure what groups are involved now or need to, be but I think the Commission has always tried to be very proactive and work with partners, instead of opposed to partners, so that one message comes out to the community.