

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **Inaugural Claudette Bradshaw Innovation Award to be presented to New Brunswick team**

**A team from New Brunswick are the first ever recipients of CanFASD's Claudette Bradshaw Innovation Award for a ground-breaking model that addresses Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) with Indigenous communities.**

*(Moncton, New Brunswick)* A team of FASD service providers including Dr. Nicole LeBlanc of the Vitalité Health Network and Annette Cormier of the NB FASD Centre of Excellence will receive the CanFASD Claudette Bradshaw Innovation Award for their ground-breaking Dream Catcher service delivery model. The Dream Catcher model was developed in partnership with Indigenous elders to improve FASD supports and services with Indigenous communities.

Claudette Bradshaw, former Member of Parliament and advocate for women in poverty, recently retired from the Canada FASD Research Network (CanFASD) Board of Directors. CanFASD created this award to recognize her many years of service to the field of FASD, early education, and homelessness. She will be visiting Moncton, New Brunswick on January 9, 2020 to present this award to LeBlanc and Cormier.

Media personnel are invited to attend this event. This is an opportunity to witness a local New Brunswick team receive a national award and to interact with experts in the field of FASD from across Canada.

**What:** A team of service providers from New Brunswick will be receiving CanFASD's inaugural Claudette Bradshaw Innovation Award for a service delivery model that addresses Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) with Indigenous communities. Mme. Claudette Bradshaw, former Member of Parliament and retired CanFASD Board Member will be presenting this award to the team.

**Who:** Mme Claudette Bradshaw, former Member of Parliament; Annette Cormier from the NB FASD Centre of Excellence; and Dr. Nicole LeBlanc of the Réseau de Santé Vitalité Health Network

**When:** Thursday January 9, 2020 at 11:30 am

**Where:** The Four Point Moncton, 40 Lady Ada Blvd, Moncton, New Brunswick

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