Canadian Kinesiology Association is Launched

The Canadian Kinesiology Association Steering Committee recently completed its last in a series of very successful meetings in conjunction with the British Columbia Association of Kinesiologists Annual General Meeting and Conference in Vancouver, British Columbia. The discussions focused primarily on establishing Membership Criteria, Governance, Membership Services and Communication Strategies. The meetings included participants from regional organizations representing the interests of Kinesiologists from across the country.

The Canadian Kinesiology Association is in its final stages of development and will initially represent the interests of more than 2500 Kinesiologists throughout the country. The Association was formed by Kinesiologists who recognized the need for setting high standards of practice for the profession on a national level. In an effort to fulfill this objective, the Canadian Kinesiology Association has adopted and continues to work on development of a Scope of Practice, Mission Statement and Vision that can be supported by Kinesiologists across Canada.

The Canadian Kinesiology Association is committed to pursuing a number of national initiatives on behalf of its membership. These projects include protection and promotion of a professional designation for Kinesiologists; negotiating and implementing a mandatory Professional Liability Insurance program; having Kinesiologists listed as service providers in Extended Health Benefit Insurance Policies; and development of a Professional Fee Schedule. These initiatives are being pursued as a direct result of feedback that the regional associations have received from membership surveys over the past several years.

The Canadian Kinesiology Association recognizes that consistent educational standards for Kinesiologists must be established. To this end, the Canadian Kinesiology Association will be furthering dialogue with the Canadian Council of University Physical Education and Kinesiology Administrators (CCUPEKA) following our presentation to this group at their national meetings in April of 2000. The CKA representatives were well received at these meetings and will continue to communicate with CCUPEKA regarding our development in the coming years.

The Canadian Kinesiology Association will be a leader in elevating the profile of Kinesiology in the next century. The Canadian Kinesiology Association’s first national conference will be held in the November of 2001 in Banff, Alberta. Plan on attending what promises to be an incredible educational and professional development opportunity.
The Guiding Principles

The following Scope of Practice, Mission Statement and Vision are those that guided the Steering Committee through the initial developmental stages of the Canadian Kinesiology Association.

It is expected that as the Association enters into its first years of organizational operation that these may continue to evolve to reflect the goals and objectives of its members. Any comments or feedback regarding these declarations may be submitted to the Canadian Kinesiology Association at: Info@cka.ca

Scope of Practice

Kinesiologists provide unique services through the application of the science of human movement and deliver quality solutions through prevention, assessment, and intervention.

Mission Statement

The Canadian Kinesiology Association exists:

- to provide leadership through the promotion of the science and profession of Kinesiology;
- to stimulate the dynamic evolution of the profession of Kinesiology through the development and promotion of educational opportunities for its members;
- to foster partnerships with the academic community through support of research and Kinesiology program development;
- to enhance benefits for its members and to assist with the provision of quality services.

Vision

Leadership

The Canadian Kinesiology Association will:

- provide a central leadership role to assist Kinesiologists in developing quality solutions to human movement problems through the application of the science of Kinesiology;
- provide a national forum for the discussion of issues related to the profession of Kinesiology.

Progressive

The Canadian Kinesiology Association believes that:

- the dynamic evolution of the profession of Kinesiology will be stimulated through the development and promotion of educational opportunities facilitated and encouraged by its members;
- continual dialogue and relationship building with university faculties and students will ensure the consideration of relevant issues in the field of Kinesiology and promote the development of expertise in the field of Kinesiology.

Supportive

The Canadian Kinesiology Association will:

- provide quality membership services to enhance the provision of Kinesiology services to the public.

Unity

The Canadian Kinesiology Association will:

- foster communication among the provincial associations representing Kinesiologists and ensure consistency of practice standards and ethics on a national level.
The CKA Membership

The Canadian Kinesiology Association has been developed through the collaborative efforts of regional and provincial Kinesiology Associations from across the country. These organizations have worked diligently to ensure that the needs of Canadian Kinesiologists are met and that the profession is represented effectively at a national level.

The CKA Steering Committee has arrived at consensus on issues including membership criteria, organizational structure and the financial commitment that the Regional Associations will make to further development of the CKA. These issues will be presented to the respective memberships of the Regional Associations over the next year in order to ensure that the needs of all Kinesiologists are met and that all members are effectively represented.

The CKA Steering Committee recognizes that time will be required to implement these changes. However, the expectation is that by 2005, Professional Kinesiologists from across Canada will have a standard, national designation and will be required to meet consistent membership standards including academic background, work or volunteer experience and Continuing Education requirements.

All members of the Canadian Kinesiology Association will also be members of their respective provincial or regional association in order to ensure that they are represented at both the regional and national level and that membership benefits can be optimized.

It is anticipated that all members will receive the Canadian Kinesiology Association Newsletter, discounts on Conference and Workshop Registrations, access to the Member’s Only section of the website and the right to participate in any of the group home, auto and health insurance programs established by the CKA.

In addition, it is expected that both Professional and Associate Members will have access to Professional and General Liability Insurance Coverage and that Student and Academic Members will be eligible for Scholarship and other award money as available.

The following are the proposed membership categories of the Canadian Kinesiology Association and some of the relevant details regarding each:

**Professional Member**
Membership requirements include holding a degree in Kinesiology, Human Kinetics or equivalent area of study. Individuals will also be required to have completed courses in appropriate core and elective areas of study (to be ratified and presented to the membership at a later date). Professional members will also be required to complete volunteer and/or work experience hours prior to receiving designation and will be required to complete Continuing Education requirements in order to maintain their status as Professional Members.

**Associate Members**
Associate members are individuals who have expressed an interest or are working in the field, but who do not meet the criteria of a Professional Member.

**Academic Members**
Academic members are individuals who are currently enrolled in Masters or Doctorate study or who work within an educational institution in either an academic or research based capacity.

**Student Members**
Student members are individuals who are currently enrolled in full-time undergraduate study in a Kinesiology, Human Kinetics or related program.

**Member Emeritus**
A Member Emeritus is an individual who has made significant contributions to the field or profession of Kinesiology. The Canadian Kinesiology Association’s Nominating & Awards Committee will grant these individuals the title upon receipt of their nomination and acceptance by the Committee.

**Corporate Members**
Corporate memberships will be available to those businesses that demonstrate an interest in supporting the profession of Kinesiology and who meet the professional and ethical standards as established by the Association.

**Institutional Members**
Institutional memberships will be available to those universities that offer Kinesiology, Human Kinetics or related programs and who demonstrate an interest in supporting ongoing development of the field and profession of Kinesiology.
British Columbia Association of Kinesiologists (BCAK)

History & Mandate:
The British Columbia Association of Kinesiologists (BCAK) is an incorporated non-profit organization that was founded in December of 1991. Our mission statement is to uphold the standards of the profession of Kinesiology, promote the application of Kinesiology to other professionals and to the community, assist Kinesiologists in their professional development and encourage an exchange of ideas in the science of Kinesiology within the province of British Columbia.

Membership Criteria and Information:
Currently, the BCAK has over 500 registered, student and affiliate members. Registered Kinesiologists in British Columbia are required to have completed a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, Human Kinetics or equivalent degree. The educational background of a Registered Kinesiologist includes instruction in human anatomy and physiology, biomechanics and psychomotor behaviour. Registered Kinesiologists are also well versed in the areas of exercise physiology, exercise management, fitness evaluation, nutrition, ergonomics and gerontology among others.

Continuing Education:
The BCAK has a mandate for continuing education of its registered members. Members are encouraged to continually improve their knowledge in the field of Kinesiology via conferences, workshops, and volunteerism. To aid in this goal, the BCAK offers several courses in areas such as functional assessment, ergonomics, and functional anatomy to their members on an ongoing basis.

Achievements in 1998 and 1999:
- Implemented a website, which greatly increased our exposure, and the ease with which members could register for Association events and courses on-line.
- Provided online applications and renewals for our members.
- Increased student involvement within the association.
- Increased communication between the BCAK and the Worker’s Compensation Board and Insurance Corporation of BC to promote Kinesiology.
- Provided courses in Alberta for the first time.
- Implemented a mandatory liability insurance program for BCAK registered members.
- BCAK represented at the 1998 and 1999 OKA conference and AGM.
- Hired an administrative assistant to assist with management of the membership database.
- Participated in activities of the Health Professions Council by responding to applications by other health professions and reviewing other health professionals proposed scopes of practice.

Formation of committees to:
- review Insurance Benefit Plans across Canada.
- review University Kinesiology Programs, including the new Kinesiology program at the University College of the Fraser Valley.
- Investigate the possible application of Kinesiologists to the BC Health Professions Council.
- Assist with the ongoing development of the CKA.

Goals for 2000:
- Streamline the procedure of processing membership applications submitted via the Internet.
- Increase membership in both registered member and student member categories.
- Develop a plan for applying to the Health Professions Council and seek membership approval.
- To offer our membership Extended Health Benefits through the Kinesiology Association.
- Plan an Annual Conference and AGM for our members.
- Continue to assist with the ongoing development of the CKA.

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Alberta Exercise Professional Association

The Alberta Exercise Professional Association (AEPA) was formed 4 years ago in a response to meet the growing needs of exercise professionals. The AEPA is a "large umbrella" organization that represents the interests of those working in the areas of fitness and exercise and other related work environments and who have an educational background in Physical Education or Kinesiology. The association acts as an advocacy group for the exercise profession in Alberta.

Since incorporation in 1997, the elected voluntary Board of Directors has worked towards self-regulation of the fitness and exercise field in Alberta. There are also working subcommittees (review of literature, membership, marketing, and nominations/elections) composed of volunteer members who assist in various tasks and functions. The AEPA is financially independent and responds directly to the needs of its membership. The AEPA is currently pursuing liability insurance for those working outside the scope of other certification programs.

The initial focus of the AEPA was to lead towards registration or the licensure of the exercise profession. For this to occur, the AEPA has worked hard to complete many of the required steps including developing a mission, vision, goals, objectives, by-laws, code of ethics and a defined scope of practice.

As the AEPA has grown, new challenges and goals have arisen. The AEPA has been developing a marketing strategy to increase the membership base of exercise professionals and to promote the profession to other allied health professionals, the government and the general public.

The AEPA, in conjunction with the Universities of Calgary and Alberta, has developed a written examination for potential new members. This exam represents the broad domains of practice within the membership and standardizes the qualifications for the exercise and fitness profession. This education and examination process is similar to those utilized by other Health Professional associations.

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Kinesiologists in Saskatchewan have traditionally pursued membership with other provincial associations for their professional representation. There are currently seven Certified Kinesiologists (OKA), twelve Registered Kinesiologists (BCAK), and four Affiliate Kinesiologists (OKA) working within the Province. The majority of Kinesiologists in Saskatchewan are working in Rehabilitation within the Clinical or Disability Management arenas.

The key issues facing Kinesiologists in Saskatchewan revolve around the third Party Payers. At the current time, the Worker’s Compensation Board (WCB) and Saskatchewan Government Insurance do not officially recognize the Profession of Kinesiology and therefore require all Kinesiologists and Exercise Therapists to obtain a Professional Fitness and Lifestyle Counsellor (PFLC) designation in order to work in the Rehabilitation field. The WCB and SGI are also examining allowing only Physiotherapists to perform Functional Ability Evaluations.

Our primary objective is to establish the Saskatchewan Kinesiology Association by Spring 2000. Upon inception the Saskatchewan Kinesiology Association will pursue the following initiatives on behalf of its membership:

- To promote the Profession of Kinesiology and our Scope of Practice to the general public, other Health Practitioners and Third Party Payers.
- To provide direction, support and professional development for practicing Kinesiologists and future Kinesiology Graduates.
- To assist the University of Saskatchewan’s, College of Kinesiology with the development of the Kinesiology Program and to promote the standards and criteria established by the Canadian Kinesiology Association.
- To develop professional relationships with other related associations within the Province of Saskatchewan.

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The Ontario Kinesiology Association was incorporated in 1981 as a non-profit organization and is the only professional association representing Kinesiologists within Ontario. The association was formed by Kinesiologists who recognized the need for setting standards for Kinesiologists working with the public and for promoting the profession to other allied health professionals and to the community. The Ontario Kinesiology Association continues to fulfill this mission and currently represents the interests of approximately 1200 Certified, Affiliate and Student members.

Kinesiologists certified by the Ontario Kinesiology Association must have successfully completed a four-year Bachelor of Science (Kinesiology), Bachelor of Human Kinetics, Bachelor of Kinesiology Degree or equivalent from an accredited University. All Certified Kinesiologists must have completed courses in the four core areas of study: Anatomy, Physiology, Biomechanics and Psychomotor Behaviour.

In Ontario, Certified Kinesiologists practice in a wide range of disciplines suited to our educational background; these areas include Physical and Vocational Rehabilitation, Work Site Analysis, Ergonomics, Hydrotherapy, Occupational Health and Safety, Health & Wellness, Research, Education, and Work Reintegration among others.

The Ontario Kinesiology Association has adopted an organizational structure and regulatory processes similar to those of our allied health professional colleagues to maintain quality assurance in the services that our members provide. Certified Kinesiologists are bound by our Standards and Ethics Policy, Continuing Education Standards Program, and Disciplinary Hearings and Appeals Procedures. It should also be highlighted that as of January 1, 1998 all Certified Kinesiologists are enrolled in the Association’s Mandatory Professional Liability/ Malpractice Insurance Program.

Over the past year, the Association has maintained our contact with the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council, Financial Services Commission of Ontario, Canadian Association for Cardiac Rehabilitation, and with the Minister of Finance regarding automobile legislation.

The OKA continues to participate as full voting members of both the Rehabilitation Services Association of Ontario and the Alliance of Environment, Health & Safety Professions of Ontario.

The Ontario Kinesiology Association is committed to the promotion of the profession of Kinesiology on both the provincial and national levels and will continue to pursue improved communication with all levels of government, educational institutions, private industry and the general public in our efforts to do so. Please visit our website or contact the Association if you require additional information.

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Fédération des Kinésiologues du Québec (FKQ)

The group of Kinesiologists in the province of Quebec represents the association of 5 regions in one Federation. Each region operates locally with a chart of their own and their own General Assembly. The Federation also has it’s own GA. As a matter of speaking, the local regions are the extension of the « provincial » Federation.

We are guided by our General Rules & Regulations. Every member signs an oath of office to adhere to a detailed code of ethics.
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The Federation has 160 members. To become a certified member, applicants need to show proof of an appropriate level of education in the field of Kinesiology. With the very recent changes in many universities in Quebec, we can now directly accept the undergraduate programs of 7 Quebec universities.

The mandate of the Federation is to promote an intervention in physical activity that is safe and of good quality, in order to protect the public and contribute in maintaining or improving people’s health status.

The Federation has now 12 years of existence and offers the following services: A newsletter (4 time/year), continuing education workshops, an optional professional liability insurance, an annual General Meeting, a website (including an intranet and now a reserved newsgroup).

Status of Kinesiology in Quebec

1. Licensing: Four years ago, a coalition of 4 groups of professional teamed up to prepare a joint document to the « Board of Professions » (Office des professions du Québec) in order to obtain licensing for a reserved title. The four groups are the Physical Educators Teachers, the Kinesiologists, the professional Coaches and the group of Readaptation professionals. The document was presented in July 96. Although, this process is still undergoing, it does not have a unanimous approval. We are in the process of better defining our position and our status in this joint venture.

2. University degrees: At least three universities have, and a fourth one is in the process of revising their bachelor’s program. Also, in this revision, the names of the programs are now changed from Physical Activity to Kinesiology.

3. Job status: We find Kinesiologist working in some traditional fields but also new areas of work are seeing the light. The adaptation of university programs helped a great deal here.

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The Kinesiology Association of Nova Scotia (KANS)

The Kinesiology Association of Nova Scotia (KANS) was initially developed by a small group of Kinesiologists who felt that their employers and those employed in other health related occupations did not offer them the professional recognition that they deserved.

The Association was registered as a society in 1997 and held its' first annual general meeting and conference that year. Representatives from all Atlantic Provinces were informed of or attended the conference and requested that the name of the association reflect their membership.

Therefore, the name was changed to the Atlantic Canadian Kinesiology Association to represent their participation.

Since the founding of the association we have been faced with numerous obstacles and have made great strides to overcome them. The primary obstacle as an association has been the lack of certification criteria.

We considered the Atlantic Provinces to be unique from the rest of Canada (i.e. university programs, employment, etc.) and our aim was to develop a certification process that reflected this. We accomplished this in 1999 and the membership will be voting the proposed certification criteria during our annual general meeting which being held on October 29th, 1999.

Therefore, we are hoping that we will be in the position to offer certification to our members in January 2000, which will lead to many new and exciting opportunities for us. Our primary goals for the next millennium will be to provide professional liability insurance to our certified members, improve membership, contribute to the development of the CKA, and increase awareness of the role of the Kinesiologist in all industries.

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Newfoundland and Labrador Kinesiology Association (NLKA)

In 1994, there was only one recognized, practicing Kinesiologist in Newfoundland and Labrador. Since that time the numbers have grown steadily with fluctuations related to the economic climate in the province.

In 1996, the existing group of practicing Kinesiologists in the province began to meet regularly. They formed the Newfoundland Regional Group of the Ontario Kinesiology Association as the group was made up predominantly of OKA members. The group's goal was to improve the public and other professionals' understanding of the scope of practice of a Kinesiologist and to enhance future employment opportunities for other Kinesiologists.

The group has been very successful to date in our efforts to educate employers, schools and referral sources about our qualifications, training and services. Immediately following the CKA meeting held in October of 1999, the Newfoundland Regional Group of the OKA became the Newfoundland and Labrador Kinesiology Association. This process occurred in response to the need for local administration of continuing education programs offered in the geographically challenging setting of the province.

In addition, becoming an independent body allowed for an enhancement of our decision-making abilities related to local issues. A very strong tie remains between the NLKA and the OKA in terms of ongoing communication and offering of membership benefits.

With the assistance of the Kinesiology Association of Nova Scotia and the Ontario Kinesiology Association, the NLKA was able to propose certification criteria to its members for their consideration and acceptance at our recent Annual General Meeting. The criteria established better reflects the demands of the employers, peers, referral sources and academic community within the province. It should be noted that Memorial University of Newfoundland (MUN) began offering a Kinesiology degree in September of 1999.

Currently the NLKA has a strong working relationship with other groups such as the Association of Canadian Ergonomists and with the local university (MUN). We have successfully organized and hosted a "lecture series" with professional guest lecturers for our continuing education program. The Association is pleased that other professionals in the community are attending these lectures on a regular basis as well.
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NLKA Objectives for 2000:

- Improve awareness of NLKA through distribution of information to employers across the province.
- Assisting in the development of an active student group at MUN.
- Assisting in the development of regional groups throughout the province.
- Ongoing development of the Hearings and Appeals procedures of the NLKA.
- Maintaining an active participation with the Canadian Kinesiology Association.
- Improving our contact with the Canadian Society of Exercise Physiologists locally.
- Development of the NLKA’s lecture series for the year 2000 and beyond.
- Implementing a full continuing education standards program.

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The CKA…
It’s Been A Long Time Coming

In taking a historical look back at the development of the profession of Kinesiology in Canada and ultimately, culminating in the development of the Canadian Kinesiology Association we can recognize that it has actually happened in a relatively short period of time.

The first programs to develop Kinesiology programs were the University of Waterloo and Simon Fraser University in the 1970s. Since that time, over 30 Kinesiology programs have been developed across Canada. The steady increases in the number and improvements to the programs have been beneficial to the profession, providing excellent graduates to fill the growing need for professionals who possess the skills and knowledge base that Kinesiologists have.

The first Kinesiology graduates entered into a workforce that had little or no recognition of their knowledge and skill set. These Kinesiologists accomplished a feat much greater than any other to date in the profession. They defined what a Kinesiologist is, set the initial standards of practice and impressed other health professionals with their dynamic attitude, problem solving abilities, and strong scientific knowledge base. They deserve the respect of all of us who presently have graduated since and can call Kinesiology our profession.

Looking back in the records of the Ontario Kinesiology Association (OKA), the Canadian Kinesiology Association (CKA) was identified as a long-term goal by the Board of Directors when the OKA was first incorporated back in the early 1980s. However, it was not until 1994 that the Canadian Kinesiology Association name was first protected. Practicing Kinesiologists from across the country (primarily members of the British Columbia of Kinesiologists and the Ontario Kinesiology Association) began to hold teleconferences at that time to determine the steps required to establish a truly national association. Over the past three years, representatives from other provincial associations across Canada have bee identified and now participate on the CKA Steering Committee.

The development of a strong Steering Committee has allowed for an increase in amount and depth of communication between the provincial associations. Provincial Board members are able to access information from Board members with similar portfolios and share ideas about ongoing issues. The existing provincial associations have also facilitated the development of provincial associations in those areas that did not have representation and have been able to reduce the number of “growing pains” experienced while strengthening the profession nationally in a shorter period of time.

What can members of the Canadian Kinesiology Association expect to see in the future? National certification standards will be implemented across the country. This will allow for consistency, reciprocity, centralized membership processing, and enhancement of our credibility as Human Movement Professionals. A national job hotline will allow Kinesiologists increased awareness of available employment positions and provide employers with access to a larger pool of qualified Kinesiologists. National education initiatives; improved professional liability insurance; group health, home, and auto insurance policies; and federal lobbying are a few more benefits that the Canadian Kinesiology Association will offer.

So the Canadian Kinesiology Association has been a long time in development, but it is here now and it is here to stay! You are involved at the onset of a very important stage of development for our profession. The CKA Steering Committee is excited about the collaborative effort and work completed to date and we hope that you share in our excitement!
The Canadian Kinesiology Association website is fast approaching launch time. Much progress has been made on the site, and some of these changes are noted:

**New Look and Feel**
- 3 different composite images were created and presented to the CKA steering committee via email. One of these composites was voted to be the clear winner, and this look and feel is now represented on the CKA website.

**New Home**
- The CKA website is currently running on a web server situated in British Columbia. The address of the site is [http://eddie.mls-inter.net/~web141](http://eddie.mls-inter.net/~web141).
- The domain name [www.cka.ca](http://www.cka.ca) is currently in the process of being registered with the Canadian domain name registrar. It will be registered when the CKA is further along in the process of being incorporated federally.

**Member’s Only security**
- The Members Only portions of the CKA website are password protected. Use your username and password from your provincial association. If no username is given for your provincial association, just type the name of the association for the username. Remember that passwords are case-sensitive, so use all lower case.

**Administrative Security**
- Admin staff of the CKA (and CKA steering committee) are given passwords for separate areas of the website which allow them to add job postings and calendar events.

**Calendar of Events Functionality**
- The CKA Calendar of Events is ready for testing as of June 8, 2000. The look and feel of the calendar closely matches that of the site, but the flexibility and functionality of the calendar is its most impressive aspect.
- CKA members and the public will be able to browse the calendar on a month-by-month basis, or on a daily basis. The CKA administrative staff will be able to add events online via the web.

**National Jobline Functionality**
- The CKA National Jobline will be a huge benefit of membership for all Certified or Registered with all the provincial associations. It is fully functional, and contains many postings. It is anticipated that the National Jobline will be the one place that all Certified and Registered Kinesiologists can go to for currently available positions in the field.
- The CKA National Jobline has the ability to accept employment postings online, via the web. Prospective employers are invited to check it out. The cost for posting a position is only $50 – compare to local newspapers careers advertisements at $700. The benefit of advertising on the CKA website is that the employer only receives resumes from qualified applicants, therefore saving time and money in the hiring process.

There are a host of other features, which are currently being developed. The Members Section will have newsletters available online, and it is anticipated that applications will be accepted online. Frequently Asked Questions will be answered online, and contact names have already been posted with corresponding email addresses.

If there are any comments or suggestions that you have for the website (features, functionality, etc.) please contact Bruce Ng via email at: [transcend2000@hotmail.com](mailto:transcend2000@hotmail.com).

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**Summer 2000** – keep your eyes open for the Canadian Kinesiology Association National Website and Jobline. The website will connect all Kinesiology associations from across Canada and will allow employers to post positions relating to the field of Kinesiology across the country. Canadian Kinesiology Association members will have access to these job postings 24 hours per day (update in this issue).
The Canadian Kinesiology Association has now officially confirmed our location for the 2001 National Conference. We have reserved at Banff Centre for Conferences located in Banff National Park, Alberta.

The 1st ever National Kinesiology Conference will begin on Thursday, November 8th and last until Sunday, November 11th, 2001 (November 12th is a National holiday). It also coincides with last years opening of Sunshine Village Ski Resort for those who are interested in adding a ski holiday onto their conference trip.

The conference will unite Kinesiologists from across the country allowing us to share best practices and innovative ideas. The theme of the conference will focus on bring us back to the basics and fundamentals of the practice of Kinesiology. Banff will be the ideal location for Kinesiologists, from across Canada, to meet peers and share their knowledge and experiences with each other, not to mention the picturesque backdrop and its hospitable reputation.

Currently, a conference planning committee is being formed with members from all associations across Canada. Our first meeting is scheduled for July and at that time sub-committees will be formed to work on different aspects of the conference – making it the one conference in 2001 that you will want to attend.

Already, some high quality speakers have already expressed interest and are very keen on attending as well as a high profile exhibitor.

Some ideas that have been brought forth for the 2001 conference are:
• To host a Kinesiology Intramural Games Competition
• Arrange for transportation from the International Airport in Calgary to Banff
• Explore the different streams of Kinesiology and the various employment opportunities associated with them
• Arrange for some off site excursions
• Possibly invite similar organizations to make the conference a joint effort
• To provide monthly updates on the progress of the Conference on CKA website

Once the committee has been formed and has had the opportunity to meet, then work on these initiatives and on new ones will commence. It is our goal to keep the members updated as to all the advancements that occur with the conference.

If you have ideas about key speakers that you think would be interested in presenting at our conference or have seen some phenomenal speakers that you would like to recommend please forward your suggestions to molina@sfu.ca.

So if you plan on attending any conferences in 2001 make sure this is the one – it will be jammed packed with practical information, interesting speakers and exciting events – all in a beautiful location.

Please contact Camilo if you have any questions, comments or suggestions that you would like to pass on to ensure that this is the best National conference that you attend.

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## Name the national newsletter contest!!!

The next Issue of the CKA Newsletter will be sent out in the fall...we are hoping to have a new name for the newsletter by that time, but we need your help…

Please submit any suggested names or other feedback regarding the newsletter to info@cka.ca