

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) Service Providers and Support Organizations

**FROM:** Director

**DATE:** May 11, 2016

**SUBJECT:** **Council of the Federation Literacy Award**

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### OBJECTIVE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide your organization with information about the government of Ontario's call for the 2016 Council of the Federation Literacy Award.

This year's award honours a nominee who has demonstrated exceptional collaborative efforts to create, implement or sustain innovative approaches to adult literacy that support adult learners to reach their goals. Nominees could be an individual, team, or organization.

We encourage you to nominate those that have demonstrated these qualities.

Submissions must be received by 5:00 P.M. on May 27, 2016.

### BACKGROUND:

- The Council of the Federation, which consists of Canada's 13 Premiers, works to promote inter-provincial / territorial cooperation and closer ties between members of the Council, as well as to show leadership on issues important to all Canadians. This includes encouraging programs, strategies and activities that promote literacy.
- Each year, each province and territory presents a Council of the Federation Literacy Award.
- The 2016 provincial and territorial award recipients will be announced by the Council on International Literacy Day, September 8, 2016.
- In addition to receiving the Council of the Federation Literacy Medallion and Certificate, the award recipient will also receive an education related prize, in a ceremony to be held in the fall.

## **NEXT STEPS:**

The nomination package includes:

- Ontario Nomination form/Waiver
- Summary of Achievements Form
- Council of the Federation Literacy Award, Ontario Award Rules

The above documents can be found [here](#).

Please share this information with your fellow colleagues in the literacy community to help ensure this information is circulated as widely as possible.

To learn more about the Literacy Award or the Council of the Federation, visit the Council of the Federation website [here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Mario Bruyère, Council of the Federation Literacy Award Coordinator, at 416-326-5862 or [mario.bruyere@ontario.ca](mailto:mario.bruyere@ontario.ca).