



Did you know...?

ETFO Local Ontario North East Plan Member Self-Serve Portal-Action Required

By now, you will have received an e-mail at your Board address from OTIP outlining an enhanced member experience and a convenient access to your benefits coverage information. This secure website will allow you to view, update and revise your benefits coverage information at your convenience. You should have received a Plan Member Login to provide you with convenient access to the new **Plan Member Self-Serve Portal** and the existing **Plan Member Secure Site** (used to submit or inquire about health and dental claims) under **one login** accessed through the home page of www.otip.com

To complete your enrolment, follow the steps outlined in that notice. You will need to complete a **beneficiary designation form** which you must print, sign and mail in to OTIP for it to be in place as they need your original signature. Any designation that you had in the past remains until the new form is received by OTIP. This is a way of making sure that all ETFO members have a beneficiary in place and have checked to be sure that current circumstances have been considered.

Please contact Lorri Spaans at etfone@ntl.sympatico.ca if you have any questions about your benefits or the new Self-Serve Portal.



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REACH OUT

This spring, Local ONE will once again be collecting toiletries to donate to local shelters and crisis centres in Matheson, Timmins and Haileybury. Collection baskets will be placed in each school, and teachers are asked to assist in filling these baskets with shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, tooth paste, razors, soap etc... Full size, as well as hotel size toiletries will be greatly appreciated. More information will come to school Stewards following March Break.

RECOGNIZE

Your Local Executive is here for you, as well as for others in need. Last year, the Executive, headed by our Local President Monica Rusnak, embarked on a "Pillowcase Dress Project". Donations of pillowcases and supplies from New Liskeard and Kerns Public Schools' families, local teachers, as well as from Kaileigh Pinkerton (a member's daughter who fundraised from her birthday party), were paired with a monetary contribution from our Local ONE.



Dresses were then sewn by Executive members Monica Rusnak and Kerri MacDonald, the TDSS Clothing course students and Laurie Connors (Kerns parent). Close to 50

dresses were made and sent with local teachers Bruno Dal-laire and Cheryl Sheffield on their Project Overseas placements to be donated to children in need.

Above is an appreciative St. Lucian girl with her new dress, and to the left, are two very happy Haitian girls with theirs.