

THE MONTHLY POINT

Pivot Point Staff Newsletter



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COVID-19 Update

Services to individuals with diverse abilities have been deemed an essential service in the province of British Columbia. As such, Pivot Point has put measures in place to provide in-person supports to those who wish to start or continue in-person services. However, Pivot Point has also made every effort to protect all of our clients and our staff. You can view our <u>Safety Plan here</u>.

CARF - Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities

Pivot Point Family Growth Centre Inc. is happy to announce that we have received our fourth THREE YEAR ACCREDITATION!

We believe in the accreditation process because it helps the organization to be the best we can be.... and THIS means wonderful things can happen for our clients, staff, and community partners! For more information about CARF and the accreditation process, <u>click here</u>.





Annual Report

Each year Pivot Point Directors and Managers carefully review feedback from staff, clients and stakeholders. This information is published into our Annual Report, along with many other important agency updates. Please <u>read the Full Report Here</u>.

International Women's Day - March 8, 2021

Meet Crystal Thompson, our Director of Operations. Crystal has chosen to champion inequality not just for women, but for all individuals.

For the past 33 years, Crystal has been a staunch advocate for individuals with diverse abilities. We are proud and grateful for her strong beliefs, relentless efforts, and unwavering support towards helping to enhance the lives of those we serve. Ensuring that families and individuals realize their dreams, achieve their goals, as they discover they can live their best life.

To all the women and men that continue to challenge inequality for a better way of life, we thank you!



Crystal Thompson
is the Director of Operations at
Pivot Point Family Growth Centre.
For the past 33 years,
Crystal has devoted her life to
helping individuals and families
living with diverse abilities
discover they can live their best
life and realize their dreams.





International Women's Day

#ChooseToChallenge

#IWD2021

Newsletter Content Submissions

If you would like to participate in writing content, sending in photographs and/or sharing ideas for the staff newsletter, please contact Rochelle at: marketing@pivotpoint.ca

Newsletter Feedback

Rochelle would like to hear from you! Please provide her with your feedback or let her know of specific topics that you would like to see in upcoming newsletters. Please click <u>HERE</u> to be directed to our survey. Thank you for your input!



Pivot-Point Learning Centres Society

STAFF SPOTLIGHTS

Cheryl Elderton



Cheryl is our Educational Services Program Manager with a bachelor's degree in Education from UBC. During her studies she specialized in adapted programs, behaviour management, and integration planning for children with high needs.

Cheryl leads a team of educational staff across BC who are committed to the support of each student and family, while also adhering to COVID restrictions and guidelines. Our Learning Centres are busy daily with supported learning, emotional and social skills training, and development. We are proud of all our students' progress. The nice weather is helping with some COVID-safe outdoor activities. We can't wait for more sunny days and warmer weather!

NEWS AND EVENTS

Group Event Activities Coming Up:

Taming the Worry Dragons

The goal of this mental health group is for participants to learn how to tame their anxiety and increase their experience of joy. One of our Clinical Counsellors will guide participants through activities and discussions designed to teach the knowledge, tools and skills needed to decrease anxieties and stressors in everyday life. For this and other Group Events <u>click here!</u>

SPRING BREAK - March 22nd - 26th

Our Community Classrooms across the province have been really busy working on academics, life skills, self love and friendship!













CLINICAL CORNER

Spring Re-Fresh!

By Alexandra Delange, BCBA

With the arrival of longer and warmer days, blooms in the garden, and being able to get outside more, comes the refresh of Springtime!

Take the opportunity to dust off your old therapy items and look for some new ones to re-fresh your kit. Call up a fellow BI/CCW. Do they have some toys to swap with you? Clean and sanitize your items and meet up for distance swap and drop!

Looking to jazz up your outings with your older clients? Try doing something new outdoors like playing Frisbee, going to a different park, or a new library.

Finally, take a look at the visuals and schedules you use in session. Maybe some fresh new ones would be nice? See if your PA, the parent, or the BC can provide you with updated visuals to put a bit of refresh is your sessions!



Fall <u>Registration</u> is now open for our Community Classrooms across BC!