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CDA of PEI members,

Last year came as a surprise to all of us. Within a matter of weeks, we went from seeing each other in person, to working remotely to social distance from each other and keeping physical contact to a minimum.

Like everyone else, we were like fish out of water, waiting to hear when things could return to normal. But as the world learned to work around the new barriers to have meetings and events online, so did we.

Fortunately, in 2020 CDA of PEI was able to keep online training going through Canadian Career Development Foundation (CCDF) and saw many complete the courses. Our Chair, Lisa Chiasson, kept involved with plans for national certification. In August, three well deserved post-secondary students received \$500 each after being selected as the [Phyllis Pitre Bursary winners for 2020](#). We were also able to have our AGM in November and we established a new committee for 2021-22 as well as a committee to plan our 2021 Virtual Conference.

Membership benefits for 2021-22:

In 2021, we plan to have our annual conference virtually. The date is yet to be determined, but we expect it to be held in June. Given there will be no fee for presenters, we anticipate members will be able to attend for free, but this is still in the planning phase.

All members will be kept up to date on all local, regional, and national news in relations to the Career Development Profession through email and social media.

All members will have the privilege of a portion of the membership fees being used for our annual Phyllis Pitre Bursary.

2021 Training for Career Development Professionals is in the planning phase in partnership with CCDF and SkillsPEI and membership is required to apply for this training.

In addition to these exciting events, a current membership with the CDA of PEI is required to become eligible for Career Development Professional certification in New Brunswick. For those

of you who participated in Foundations, Ethical Practice and Theories in Career Development in 2019 and 2020, you are all eligible to apply! Follow this [link](#) for more details.

To apply for 2021-22 CDA of PEI Membership

CDA of PEI's 2021-22 Membership is available now and valid from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

Membership fee for the year is \$50.00.

To apply, fill out the membership form attached.

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