April 2023





Caregiver Fatigue

Why is this important?

Caring for children can be very rewarding but it can also involve many stressors, especially under the current circumstances. Giving yourself permission to take care of yourself is important so that you are in the best mental and emotional state to care for any children in your care. Understanding what caregiver fatigue is, how to identify the symptoms, and how to manage your stress to avoid it can help decrease the impact of caregiver fatigue.

What is caregiver fatigue?

Caregiver fatigue is "a debilitating psychological condition brought about by unrelieved stress." By the time most caregivers suspect caregiver fatigue, they're already suffering many symptoms. Symptoms of caregiver fatigue can include:

- Anxiety, depression, irritability
- Lack of energy
- · Overwhelming fatigue, constantly exhausted
- Sleep problems
- Change in eating habits
- · Feelings of hopelessness and helplessness
- Neglecting your own physical and emotional needs

To prevent or reduce caregiver fatigue, here are a few tips:

- Ask for help! Reach out to a friend, family member or community agency. They may be able to help, even from a distance.
- Take breaks throughout your day.
- Exercise, eat well and get enough sleep.
- Start your day 15 minutes before children wake up and do something for you. Enjoy your first cup of coffee in silence, meditate, stretch... something, anything, just for you!
- Make a list of everything you need to do during the day. See if there are any items you can delegate to someone else.
- Focus on things you can control. Some examples of things you can control could be how you react to situations and where you invest your time and energy.
- Set realistic goals. Break larger tasks into smaller manageable steps and focus on one step at a time.
- Explore community agencies or supports that might be able to help. The Kalyna Family Resource Network is here to support families and focus on caregiver capacity and building supports!

Excerpt from: https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/ed/pdf/



Wholesome Dad Jokes

- 1. Why should you tell dad jokes to an Easter Egg?
- 2. How does a sleep egg feel?
- 3. Why did the Easter egg hide?

:hicken.

Answers:1. It might crack up! 2. Egg-zosted! 3. Because it was a little



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What is the **Kalyna Family Resource Network?**









KALYNA FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK LAMONT COUNTY REGION

WHO WE ARE?

Family Resource Networks (FRNs) deliver high quality prevention and early intervention services and supports for children aged 0 to 18. Services are provided to all geographic areas and in various cultural communities across the province either directly or through collaborative partnerships with qualified service agencies.

WHAT WE DO?

Networks provide a range of services and supports that focus on strengthening parenting and caregiving knowledge, social support, coping and problem-solving skills, access to community supports and resources. improving child and youth development, building resiliency and fostering well-being.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Family Resource Networks (FRNs) welcome anyone who is part of a child's life. This could be a parent, caregiver, grandparent, aunt/uncle, day home provider, nanny, the list goes on!

WHAT PROGRAMS DO WE OFFER?

Some of our programs include developmental screening (ASQ), Triple P Positive Parenting, Infant Massage, Kids Have Stress Too, summer programming for families, child and youth development programming including National Child Day and Welcome to Kindergarten.

ont County Region Family Resource Network

UMBRELLA OF SUPPORT PROVIDED **BY PROVINCIAL FRN:**

Child Development & Well-being Support

Caregiver Capacity Building Support

Social Connections & Support

OUR FRN NETWORK: Vegreville & Area

Lamont County Region Mannville/Minburn/Innisfree Two Hills & Area **WJS Canada**

What is an **Ages & Stages** Questionnaire?

The Ages & Stages Questionnaire

- 2. Gross motor skills 3. Fine motor skills

way to keep track of milestones and celebrate them as your child grows and



Parent Education & **Caregiver Capacity Programs** are available even if they are not on the monthly calendar.

Contact Erin for more information.

















ASQ3

(ASQ) checks 5 developmental areas.

- 1. Communication skills

Why complete an ASQ and ASQ-SE?

The great thing about ASQ is that it's strengths-focused - the emphasis is really on what your child can do. It's the perfect

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The ASQ & ASQ-SE are designed to show caregivers how the child is developing from birth to 5 years of age. They are simple and easy questionnaires that are filled out by the caregiver.

The ASQ-SE checks 7 social-

- emotional areas: 1. Self-regulation
- 2. Compliance (trust & respect)
- 3. Communication
- Adaptive functioning
 Autonomy (ability to function
- independently) 6. Emotional responses

How do I complete one?

https://www.asgonline.com/family/70d5a8

https://asgonline.com/family/af517f



Community Partners We Have Loved Working With

We want to bring you the best services possible. To do that, we will often partner with some of the amazing service providers that we have in the Lamont County Region and surrounding areas. Some of our partners are:

Alberta Human Services Alberta Health Services (AHS) Early Childhood Coalitions of Alberta Various municipal governments **Family Day Homes** Various Seniors Centres Family and Community

Support Services (FCSS)

Alberta Children's Services **Primary Care Network Local Libraries Prairie Central FASD Local Community Clubs Local School Divisions** Local Food Hampers WJS Canada

INTRODUCING Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic Receiving healthcare from doctors who understand Métis culture is essential to the overall health and wellness of our community.



All appointments happen by lephone or by video using your





Call 1-888-342-4822 to book your appointment or visit aivcc.ca for more information

rs: Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm, Sat-Sun 12:30pm-4:30pm

ergency care service. If you have an emergency, please call 911

Programs & Information



COOKING WITH YOUR LITTLES.

(Because who doesn't like a little adventure)

Join us for learning, socializing, and laughter as we cook with our littles (ages 1-6). While making a tasty treat, we will focus on engaging children in the kitchen and its importance.

Lamont Arena Meeting Room - Tues, April 11 2023 (1:00 - 2:30pm)

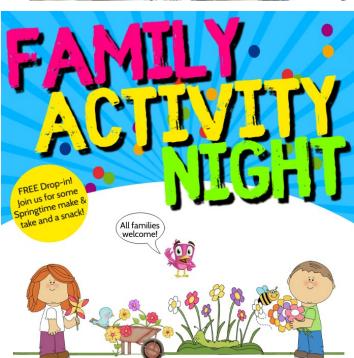
Lamont registration due by April 5 at noon

Chipman Hall - Thurs, April 20 (1:00-2:30pm)

Chipman registration due by April 13 at noon

Please sign up for one Session by link or QR code: https://signup.com/go/CZQoPMB
For more info email:erin.b@lamontcounty.ca





At the Lamont Public Library

Thursday, April 27, 2023 from 5:00 - 7:00pm





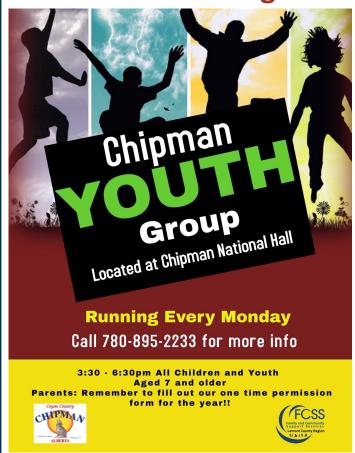


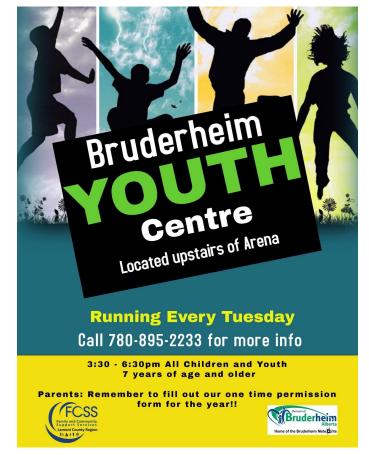


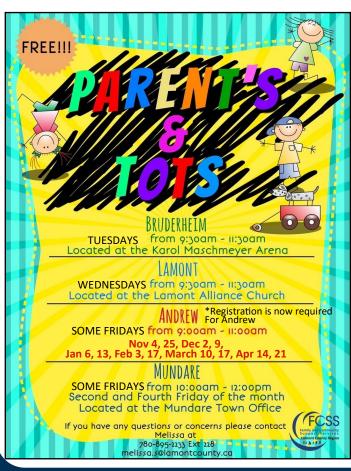


Our community partners: (FCSS Alberta Health Services 1

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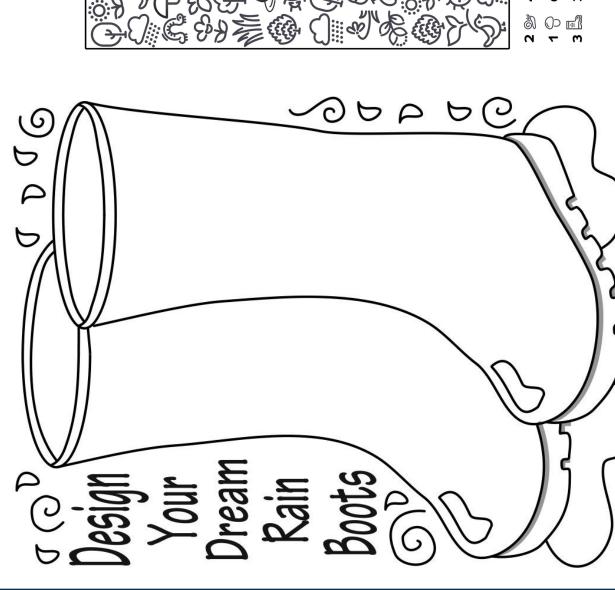


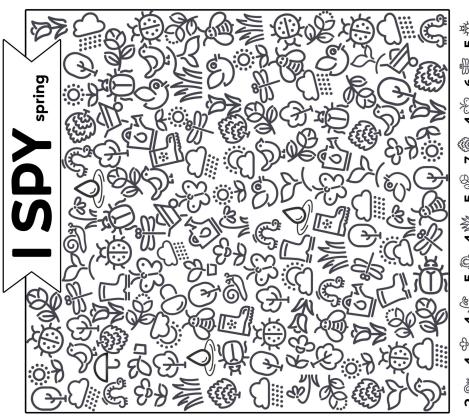






April Fun!





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April 2023	FRI		7 Good Friday No School FRN & FCSS Offices Closed	14 Happy St. Patrick's Day P&T - Andrew P&T - Mundare	21	28 P&T - Mundare
	THU		6 AHS Virtual Child Development Walk – in Clinic Connecting Generations	13	20 Mundare Vol. Appr. Event	27 Mundare Kinder Welcome
	WED		5 EIPS—Early Out P&T - Lamont ROE - Andrew School	12 P&T - Lamont ROE - Andrew School Bruderheim Kinder Welcome	P&T - Lamont ROE - Andrew School Lamont Vol. Appr. Event	26
	TUE		4 P&T - Bruderheim Bruderheim Youth Group	11 P&T - Bruderheim Bruderheim Youth Group	18 P&T - Bruderheim Andrew Vol. Appr. Event Bruderheim Youth Group	25 P&T - Bruderheim Bruderheim Youth Group
	MON		3 Chipman Youth Group	10 Easter Monday No School FRN & FCSS Offices Closed	17 Bruderheim Vol. Appr. Event Chipman Youth Group	24 Chipman Youth Group
	SUN		7	9 Happy Easter!	16 Volunteer Appreciation Week	23