

Opticians Association of New Brunswick

OANB Member News

Bring your voice & your vote.
Attend the 2023 Online Annual General Meeting



Sunday, April 30, 2023
1 RF credit

Time & login details TBC

OANB is your Association, do your best to attend and find out what's new.

A package will be sent by email to members in advance of the meeting, containing the agenda, minutes from the 2022 meeting, bios of the Council nominees and any amendments to be ratified at the AGM.



Call for Nominations!!

Becoming an OANB Council Member is an exciting prospect! The experience and knowledge you gain will benefit you and your career. Council Members are the Team that work to promote, regulate, enhance and protect your profession. If the work of Council is unfamiliar to you, current OANB Council members are happy to act as mentors to prospective members, to help them come on board, learn, and become active Council members.

All nominees must sign a candidate consent form. To nominate someone contact a member of the Nominating Committee:

Brooke Gallant brooke26840@gmail.com
or Melonie Hebert: meloniewood@msn.com

2023-2026 Social Development Contract changes

Submitted by Marilyn O'Hara

The 2023-2026 Social Development pay rates and other information were sent to members on March 27, 2023. Here are a few changes to note:

- On page 2, Section 5 (Invoicing 5.1): Invoicing must be within the month in which the service was incurred. Some members were used to submitting invoices in a bunch whenever they had enough to send, and will need to change their process
- The previous schedule showed the SD fee and the client participation fee for dispensing and materials. This has been removed and SD pays both portions now. (which is a whole lot easier for our members)
- The new fee schedule for adults is on page 18 in the new contract. The previous fee schedule was on page 19 of the old contract.
- Changes have finally been made to allow electronic invoice submission. There is a training guide for Excel and Adobe PDF. Appendix No. 1 and 2.



Professional Development

Maui Jim Canada Live Training Events!

"Second Pair Sunglass Sales"

Trainer: Bob Alexander



St. James Gate Golf Course

200 Golf St, Dieppe

April 24 - 6 pm registration

1 EC

Atlantic Host (French event)

1450 Vanier Blvd, Bathurst

May 11, 2023 - 6pm registration

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Find great past webinars through the OAC APP:

[https://web.ventla.io/oac-live-webcasts?](https://web.ventla.io/oac-live-webcasts?eventid=701249)

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Big screen education! OAC Connect New Brunswick 2023

Up to 6 credits available!

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Fredericton- Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Moncton (Trinity) - Thursday, May 25, 2023

6:00 - 9:30 pm

Changing the World of Low Vision Care
Helen Whitaker: 2 EC

Color Vision Therapy
Karen Monet: Credits TBC

Glare

AI Lens: Credits TBC

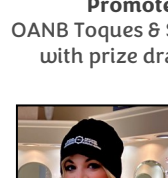
Popcorn & other concessions provided.

OAC Members & Students: \$24.00+tax

Register at: <https://opticians.ca/viewEvent.html?productId=8054>

Promote OANB with Pride!

OANB Toques & Sweatshirts will be on sale, with prize draws held at both events!



OANB Heavy Blend Crewneck:

Black, S-XL:

\$30.00

OANB Jacquard Cable Knit Cuff Toque

Black, one-size:

\$20.00



Wherever you are,
you can be a
Vision Mate.

Vision Mate: matches volunteers with people with vision loss to help one-on-one for a couple of hours a week. You'll help with activities like reading, organizing, running errands or going for walks. Activities are mutually agreed upon, based on your match's needs. Volunteers do not clean, cook, provide personal care or counselling.

Virtual Vision Mate: gives volunteers an opportunity to engage in friendly conversations with people who are blind or partially sighted. Learn more, click here:

https://www.cnib.ca/en/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/list?field_position_commitment_value=All&field_region_target_id=11®ion=nb

Would you, your dispensary or anyone you know like to support the future of Opticianry in NB?



Fund an NBCC student bursary

Flow Through Fund - As a donor you can start the fund with any amount, and then the fund pays out the decided bursary amount each year until the funds are depleted. When the funds are depleted, you have the option to add more to it or discontinue the award. Ex: \$5000 investment could support one \$1000 bursary for 5 years. You can also opt to pay the bursary amount each year, as your budget allows. For example if you wanted to have two \$1000 bursaries awarded each year, we would contact you in the Fall to ensure that the funds were in place to be awarded to students in January of that academic year.

Endowed Fund - We are able to establish endowed funds with the NBCC Foundation starting with an investment of \$25,000. For every \$25,000 endowed the fund will pay out an average of \$1000-1100 per year in perpetuity from the earnings.

The bursary amount, the number of awards and the criteria are completely up to the donor. If you have any questions or would like to give, please contact:

Christina Nicoll, Development Officer | Advancement Office NBCC at:

506 453-8306 or christina.nicoll@nbcc.ca

OANB APPRENTICE AREA



Would someone you know like to become an Optician?
Learn about the NAIT Online Optical Program

Next intake start dates:
Aug 28, 2023 & Jan. 3, 2024
<https://www.nait.ca/programs/optical-sciences-eyeglasses?term=2023-fall>

PROGRAM LENGTH: 2 Academic Years

COST/TUITION: \$3,380.00 (DOMESTIC) | \$9,468.00 (INTERNATIONAL)

START DATE: September 2023

LOCATION: Moncton

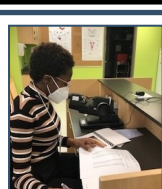
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: PROFILE J

- High School Diploma
- Adult High School Diploma
- GED Diploma of High School Equivalency
- Essential Skills Achievement Pathway: Post-Secondary Entry High School Diploma
- Pre-calculus 110
- Geometry and Applications in Mathematics 112 and Functions and Relations 112

Total of three (3) sciences including at least two (2)

- from the following:
- Biology 112 or 122
- Chemistry 112 or 122
- Physics 112 or 122
- NB Francophone High School Math Equivalencies
- International Student Admission Equivalencies

To apply: NBCC.CA



NACOR EXAMINATION PREP RESOURCES!

EXAM SCHEDULE: June 3-4, 2023

Free On-Demand via the OAC APP, including: recorded NACOR Examination Prep sessions (Eyeglasses, Contact Lenses—Pathology, Contact Lenses - Case Studies/Troubleshooting), sample questions, video tutorials and more! To access:

<https://www.opticians.ca/site/studentresources?nav=sidebar>

Employment Opportunities



Optix by Dr Savoie, Campbellton is looking for a full time optician or student optician to join our team. Great team atmosphere, please send me an email at: ffsavoie13@hotmail.com



Off the Wall Eyewear Emporium

an independent, super busy, and very cool eyewear shop

We are looking for a **Full-Time Dispensing Optician** to join our team in Moncton and Saint John, NB, after November you will be full-time at the Moncton store going forward.

Independent, super busy, and a very cool eyewear shop is looking for a rad smarty-pants to join our funky family at Off the Wall Eyewear Emporium. \$22-\$25 per hour depending on experience. Health plan, Dental, Life Insurance and Staff Rewards. Send us an email and let's chat: onyourfaceeyewear@gmail.com

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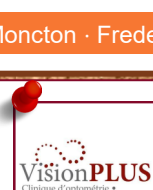


Vogue Optical is currently seeking a Managing Optician, Shediac Optician/contact lens fitter Bathurst

Must be bilingual. • Must be a licensed optician. • Have the ability to work in a team to ensure the overall success of the store. • Must have the ability to organize, set priorities, solve problems and work under limited supervision. • Excellent benefits offered with a competitive starting salary

Permanent full-time positions

Interested candidates can apply by fax: (902) 626-3610 or email: bmacdonald@vogueoptical.com



VisionPLUS is seeking a bilingual certified optician to join their team! Permanent full time position starting in April.

Remuneration will be based on experience. Please submit your resume in person or at visionplusmoncton@gmail.com.



Walmart Vision Centre Regent Mall, Fredericton

is looking for a Dual Licensed Optician

If interested contact: District Manager, Nichole Haley (506) 292-4265

we're hiring

IRIS

(Full/Part) time position
Competitive wages, based on experience
Benefit program including health, dental, LTD, RSP with employer contribution, EAP program
Sales bonus program, Periodic incentive program
Free eyeglasses annually, Family & Friends discount, store discount, referral bonus, paid vacation time off and personal days. Provincial Opticianry licensing fees and Liability insurance reimbursed.

IRIS The Visual Group is looking for a bilingual Optician in Dalhousie

What you need?

- Current NB Optician license
- Ability to communicate in both French and English
- Willingness to deliver excellent patient-care
- Be able to troubleshoot and support patients
- Contribute to team goals and positive environment
- Like what you see? Click the link to apply: <https://bit.ly/3VRFz66>