

AUGUST 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

New Brunswick

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Labour Relations

Aug 16: New Brunswick and the union representing public service specialized professionals and scientific employees reached a tentative agreement on a new collective agreement. The details won't be disclosed unless and until the agreement is ratified.

Health & Safety

Aug 22: An outbreak of Pertussis, aka, whooping cough, has been declared for the entire province of New Brunswick. This is an expansion of the local outbreak for the Acadian Peninsula that public health authorities initially declared at the end of June.

Action Point: Find out how to create a legally and clinically sound workplace infectious illness [exposure control plan](#)

New Laws

Jul 19: New Brunswick and the federal government announced that they will furnish over \$71 million to fund tree-planting projects across the province. The goal: Plant over 52 million climate-resilient trees, or 60 trees for each resident of New Brunswick, on publicly managed land.

Workers Comp

Aug 26: WorkSafeNB ended public consultations on proposed amendments to a pair of key workers comp policies: [Policy 23-605 - Experience Rating System](#) and [Policy 23-600 - Setting Basic Assessment Rates](#). The agency is expected to finalize the policy changes this fall.