

# Newfoundland & Labrador

## LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Immigration

Oct 8: Newfoundland announced that it has almost reached its full capacity for immigration in 2024. The Department of Immigration will prioritize healthcare, construction, and other sectors facing labour shortages in selecting the few remaining applications for the year.

### New Laws

Oct 29: From now through November 19, the Newfoundland Office of the Chief Information Officer will be taking [comments](#) on whether the province should adopt new legislation regulating its use of online digital services, cybersecurity, and emerging technologies to deliver public services.

### Health & Safety

Oct 21: Newfoundland kicked off its fall influenza and COVID-19 vaccination plan offering free vaccines to individuals 6 months and older. Online booking of appointments began via the government's [Time For The Shot website](#) on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

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

### Workers' Comp

Oct 28: WorkplaceNL announced that it's keeping 2025 average assessment rates at \$1.73 per \$100 assessable payroll. Industry rates will decline or remain the same for 62% of employers and increase for 38%. Maximum Compensable and Assessable Earnings will increase by 3.1%, from \$76,955 to \$79,345.