

# Yukon

## LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Immigration

May 23: The Yukon Nominee Program selected the first round of employers invited to submit a full application. Priority will go to foreign nationals who've lived and worked in Yukon for at least one year, Yukon University graduates, French-speakers, and applicants who've received a temporary measure letter of support. Yukon's cap for 2025 is 215 nominations.

**Action Point:** Find out about the 10 things employers [need to know about hiring temporary foreign workers](#).

### New Laws

May 23: The governments of Yukon and BC have agreed to work together to connect their respective electrical grids and provide two-way transmission of clean electricity across their respective borders.

### Training

May 29: Yukon launched a new initiative that will allow family physician residents from the University of Alberta to complete part of their residency in the Yukon. The Yukon Edmonton Pilot is expected to strengthen Yukon's efforts to recruit and retain health care providers and improve access to primary care in rural and remote communities.

## CASES

### Health & Safety: COVID Emergency Law Is Constitutional, Says Top Court

Yukon's highest court rejected a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the *Civil Emergency Measures Act* the territory adopted during the COVID pandemic, pooh poohing the contention about the Act's undermining balance of accountability between the executive and legislative branches as "fanciful" and "entirely lacking in merit" [[Mercer v. Yukon \(Government of\)](#), 2025 YKCA 5 (CanLII), May 16, 2025].