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# INCLUSION NEWS

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BE WITH YOU.

**May 14<sup>th</sup> 2017: May all the Mothers out there have a Happy Mothers Day!**

## CLBC Training video:

This past march 31st I along with 2 other Self Advocate Liaisons had the esteemed opportunity to go down to CLBC head office in Vancouver for a Video Shoot. The Video is being created as a tool in training for current and on coming CLBC Staff members. The idea behind this project is to document 3 individual Self Advocates who receive support for finding or holding employment. It gives a chance to have a full spectrum of the human experience when it comes to support from and for CLBC. The finalized production of this film is something that us 3 Self Advocates are anticipating and look forward to seeing it shared amongst all community service providers, Self Advocates and Persons with Diverseabilities.

## Ready Willing & Able:

Our province is leading the way on many fronts as Ready, Willing and Able continues to support and enhance employment across BC. The innovative RWA model focuses on understanding the needs of employers first, and then connecting them to qualified candidates with intellectual disabilities who can get the job done. This model (rooted in [Article 27](#) of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities) has evolved to leverage the expertise of existing employment support agencies while continuing to expand the conversation on what inclusive employment means. Flexibility to design unique solutions that meet employment needs has emerged as one of RWA's key strengths. Another theme was RWA's impact on attitudes, awareness and culture on hiring people with intellectual disability and Autism Spectrum Disorder. The full length article can be found here: <http://www.inclusionbc.org/employment/whats-new/ready-willing-able-bc-advancing-real-jobs-inclusive-employment>

## BC Provincial Election: May 9<sup>th</sup> 2017

May 9<sup>th</sup> 2017 is the 41<sup>st</sup> BC Provincial Election. As the date draws ever closer and people begin to receive mail on their voting stations and candidates for the main party's, being up to date on each campaign promise and platform is essential. The 3 main party's are Liberal: Christy Clark (Current Premier) New Democrats: John Horgan & The Green Party: Andrew Weaver. The Liberal Party's beliefs are: government action is to achieve equal opportunity and equality for all. It is the duty of the government to alleviate social ills and to protect civil liberties and individual and human rights. Belief of the role of the government should be to guarantee that no one is in need. New Democrats beliefs: NDP has a proud history of fighting for ordinary Canadians and delivering results. Over the last 50 years, New Democrats have helped ensure the introduction of universal medical care, public pensions, and the expansion of Canada's social safety net. And the Green Party's beliefs are: Non Violence, Sustainability, Social Justice, Ecological & Respect for Diversity. Knowing what each Party is Campaigning for and against is important in making the best decision possible for your individual beliefs as Persons with Diverseabilities and Self Advocate Leaders along with Community support and continuing pursuit of global sustainability for whichever political/social stand you take. Find more on each Party's Campaign page for more info.



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