



Press Release
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NWT Women's Groups Issue Territory-Wide Challenge to Take Gender-Based Analysis+ Training

June 15, 2016 (Yellowknife) Equality, equity and inclusion are necessary in all policies and programs to allow a society to be fair and equal to all of its citizens. Considering how an issue is affected by sex, gender, and other intersecting identity factors like income, sexual orientation, language, age, education, ethnicity, ability and culture is an important first step in this process. Gender-Based Analysis Plus (GBA+) is an analytical tool we can use to ensure programs and policies are reflective of our society. The Status of Women Council of the NWT, Native Women's Association of the NWT, Yellowknife Women's Society and YWCA of Yellowknife challenge our NWT politicians, policy makers and individuals to take the short introduction to GBA+ online training to show their commitment to inclusive and equitable policy and programming.

We are challenging you to make this commitment by Canada Day - **July 1**. Those who have taken the training are encouraged to take a picture with their certificates and upload them to social media, tagging any or all of the women's groups. You can also send a photo or scan of your certificate by email to the Status of Women Council of the NWT (lorraine@statusofwomen.nt.ca) The Status of Women Council will post a list of those who have completed the training on their [Facebook](#) page to recognize their commitment to gender equality.

The Federal government recently renewed their commitment to advance gender equality in Canada and close key gaps between women and men, and is using GBA+ as a means of doing this.

Important links: GBA+ training: http://www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/gba-acsc/course-cours/eng/mod00/mod00_01_01.html

Status of Women Council of the NWT: <http://www.statusofwomen.nt.ca/>

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