



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Dear Colleague:

This three day package of seminars has been put together by the three territorial professional accounting organizations:

- Institute of Chartered Accountants of the Northwest Territories & Nunavut
- Certified General Accountants Association of the Northwest Territories/Nunavut
- Certified Management Accountants of the Northwest Territories & Nunavut

We hope that you will find the subject matter interesting. This time around the seminars have a broad focus covering the following topics:

- Corporate Fraud Awareness
- Hiring, Motivating and Retaining Top Talent
- Influence Skills for Productive Client and Staff Relationships

We look forward to seeing you at the Professional Development days.

Angus Marks, CA  
Institute of Chartered Accountants of the Northwest Territories & Nunavut

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Certified Management Accountants of the Northwest Territories & Nunavut

## Fall 2009

October 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Explorer Hotel  
Janvier Room  
Yellowknife, NT**

**Snacks and Beverages Provided**



**Fall 2009 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**  
**CORPORATE FRAUD AWARENESS**  
**Day 1 – Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Explorer Hotel Janvier Room**

**Corporate Fraud Awareness**

The objective of this one day seminar is to provide you with an overview of fraud, specifically to further develop an understanding of fraud and how to increase fraud awareness.

**Seminar Outline:**

- An Overview of Fraud
- The Fraud Tree / Common Myths
- Financial Statement Fraud
- Corruption
- Anti-fraud Programs
- Fraud and Managing Risk

The above topics will be addressed through a combination of presentations, case studies and discussions.

**Handouts:**

- Each attendee will be provided with reference materials.

**Presented by Mike Mannella, CA**

**Fall 2009 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**  
**HIRING, MOTIVATING AND RETAINING TOP TALENT**  
**Day 2 – Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Explorer Hotel Janvier Room**

**Hiring, Motivating and Retaining Top Talent**

The objective of this one day seminar is to provide you with the skills to apply high performance strategies to attract, hire, motivate and retain top quality employees that deliver outstanding business results. By hiring the right people for the job and creating an environment where people want to stay and develop a successful career, you will be able to maximize your team's and organization's success.

**Seminar Outline:**

In this one day seminar, participants will review and practice critical management and leadership skills. You will discuss and practice high performance hiring methods with a focus on the special challenges that are faced by Northern employers.

The focus in the morning will be on how to use behaviour based selection methods to attract, hire and retain quality employees. In the afternoon you will consider how to create a motivating work environment where people willingly produce quality results, feel rewarded for their efforts and develop a commitment to the organization. Both segments of the course are highly interactive and feature a variety of hands on practice exercises and in depth discussions.

**Course Outcomes**

As a result of taking action on the skills taught in this seminar, you will be able to:

- Feel confident in your ability to take productive action in hiring and retaining top talent;
- Identify and use strategies that attract and build talent and maximize the performance of your business unit;
- Use creative and productive approaches to recruit top candidates;
- Effectively prepare for and use behavioural based interviews to select top candidates and build a positive view of you, the job and the organization;
- Describe how to create a motivating environment where people produce quality results and develop a commitment to the organization;
- Describe and critique a range of strategies to increase employee's satisfaction with the organization;
- Prepare a training and orientation plan for a new employee that maximizes their performance and creates early motivation and commitment;
- Create and take action on a long-term development strategy for your staff;
- Conduct an interview that includes two way dialogue and feedback and promotes a positive relationship between the employee, the supervisor and the organization.

**Handouts:**

- Each attendee will be provided with reference materials.

**Presented by Esther Hudson, MAdEd, CHRP •**

**Fall 2009 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**  
**INFLUENCE SKILLS FOR PRODUCTIVE CLIENT AND STAFF RELATIONSHIPS**  
**Day 3 – Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Explorer Hotel Janvier Room**

**Influence Skills for Productive Client and Staff Relationships**

The objective of this one day seminar is to develop skills in using a consultative/collaborative model of service when delivering and influencing individuals (internal/external) whose styles, needs and expectations present special challenges.

**Seminar Outline:**

In this one day seminar, participants will use a variety of interactive exercises to develop their influence and negotiation skills. You will apply a model of influencing that encourages partnering, collaboration and the development of commitment to innovative solutions with stakeholders both internal/external or staff/client.

You will practice key communication skills that enable collaboration and the development of trust. The focus of these exercises will be on situations where the conversation is both crucial and difficult.

**Course Outcomes**

During the seminar, participants will:

- Identify and discuss service delivery opportunities and the challenges they face as accounting professionals;

- Review a model of influence that enables accounting professionals to influence effectively using a collaborative process and negotiate win/win solutions;
- Describe effective methods for gathering information on client/staff issues and problems and explain how to use this information to build relationships of trust and influence with individuals;
- Demonstrate how to deal with difficult conversations by using questions and giving information regarding requirements that clarify specific financial/performance problems and opportunities;
- Consider short and long term influence timing and strategies to develop client/staff compliance and commitment to financial and/or performance requirements.

**Handouts:**

- Each attendee will be provided with reference materials.

**Presented by Esther Hudson, MAdEd, CHRP •**

## PRESENTERS



**Mike Mannella, CA•** Mike is a partner in the Vancouver office of Ernst & Young LLP where he is responsible for leading the Risk Management practice. His client base includes public companies in mining, utilities, telecommunications, and financial services sectors, as well as private companies in the manufacturing and services sectors. He focuses on providing assistance to clients looking to understand and manage their strategic, operational, compliance, financial and fraud risks through structured risk management frameworks and internal audit support. His experience includes fraud risk assessment as well as fraud investigation. Mike is a frequent presenter in the area of risk management and is often sought out for comment in the media.



**Esther Hudson, MAdEd, CHRP•** Esther's consulting work focuses on helping organizations build the capability and commitment of their people. Her client base includes First Nation's Bands, provincial and municipal governments, professional organizations and firms, health care organizations, construction companies, electric utilities, manufacturing and oil/gas and mining companies. Esther's experience includes 30 years of consulting, specializing in human resource development, training, and organization effectiveness. She is experienced in developing new performance management and development systems and is the co-author of a two volume book on the subject , "Leading for Optimal Results: Managing Performance Guide." Management, leadership, and employee training is a particular specialty and she has designed and delivered training in over 50 different content areas.

## Fall 2009 Professional Development Days Registration Form

|                    | Day 1<br>Monday<br>October 26 <sup>th</sup> | Day 2<br>Tuesday<br>October 27 <sup>th</sup>   | Day 3<br>Wednesday<br>October 28 <sup>th</sup>   |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Corporate Fraud Awareness                   | Hiring, Motivating and Retaining<br>Top Talent | Influence Skills for Productive<br>Client and Staff Relationships<br><br><b>(This course only will begin at<br/>8:30 AM)</b> |
| 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM  | Corporate Fraud Awareness                   | Hiring, Motivating and Retaining<br>Top Talent | Influence Skills for Productive<br>Client and Staff Relationships<br><br><b>(This course only will end at<br/>4:00 PM)</b>   |

### REGISTRATION PAYMENT – *payment must accompany registration*

**Day 1: Corporate Fraud Awareness**

**Member** fee per seminar:  
\$325.00 (341.25 incl GST)

**Day 2: Hiring, Motivating and Retaining  
Top Talent**

**Non-Member** fee per seminar:  
\$375.00 (393.75 incl GST)

**Day 3: Influence Skills for Productive  
Client and Staff Relationships**

**IMPORTANT:** Refunds requested after October 16<sup>th</sup> will be subject to a 25% administration charge to cover reference materials and other non-refundable expenses. Name changes are permitted up to October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Seminars Registering for: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to pay by:    Cheque     Visa     MasterCard     Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please include 5% GST

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_                      Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO:**    THE CERTIFIED GENERAL ACCOUNTANTS ASSOCIATION  
5016 - 50<sup>th</sup> AVENUE  
P.O. BOX 128, YELLOWKNIFE, NT X1A 2N1

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS BY:** Fax: (867) 873-4469    Phone: (867) 873-5620    E-mail: admin@cga-nwt-nu.org

**In PERSON (CHEQUE OR CREDIT CARD):**    Please note the CGA office will have shortened office hours from October 5<sup>th</sup> – October 18<sup>th</sup>. Staff will be available to process your registration from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_    **BUSINESS PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_    **EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_