

March 3, 2025

**To: Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, and Unit Chairpersons**

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## **Unifor National EI/CPP Conference**

**June 5-8, 2025**

Unifor Family Education Centre, Port Elgin, Ontario

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Greetings,

The annual EI/CPP Conference will take place at the Unifor Family Education Centre located at 115 Shipley Avenue in Port Elgin, Ontario. The conference will commence at 7:00 p.m. with a plenary session followed by a social in Union Station. The conference will adjourn no later than 11:00 a.m. on Sunday.

This conference provides an opportunity for locals to learn vital information to assist the membership and all locals are encouraged to send participants.

Learn about EI rules, policies and practices from Service Canada Representatives to get EI working for you, the membership, and your community. During this conference participants will expand their knowledge about Unifor's campaign to make permanent changes to EI and why we need to make EI a political issue.

### EI for Unifor members

- How do members apply for EI and what are EI special benefits?
- How can I appeal an EI decision?
- What is an ROE and how do I read it?
- What are the recent changes to EI?

### CPP/QPP for Unifor retirees

- Are you planning to retire? Get a better understanding of Canada's Pension Plan/Quebec Pension Plan system and the enhancements to these benefits.

This conference provides the perfect opportunity to understand how CPP/QPP works and what your retirement pension will look like and why.

### CPP/QPP general questions

Join us to learn more about:

- How does a divorce affect your CPP/QPP?
- What is the impact from retiring at age 60 or age 70?
- How does CPP disability change at age 65?
- How does the new Enhanced CPP/QPP affect me?

### **Do not miss this year's EI/CPP Conference!**

This is a bilingual conference including the workshops. Simultaneous translation will be available in both English and French.

Please submit your registrations early to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions about registrations, workshops or logistics, please email Nasra Mussa to [Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org](mailto:Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org).

**The registration deadline is May 15, 2025.**

Looking forward to seeing everyone at this important event!

In solidarity,



**Lisa Contini**  
**National Representative**  
**Pensions & Benefits Department**

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cc: Leadership, National Executive Board, National Representatives  
Port Elgin Childcare – Laurie Wright

## Unifor Conference Registration & Details

Getting registered for this conference is a two-part process and both need to be completed.

### Registration

The registration for this conference will be online by visiting <https://register1.unifor.org/>

By now, all local union presidents have received the 2025 local online usernames and passwords. If you cannot locate the email, please contact [registration@unifor.org](mailto:registration@unifor.org) to have it resent.

**The registration deadline is May 15, 2025.**

### Unifor Family Education Reservation Form

To attend this conference you must complete the [Unifor Family Education Reservation form](#) and return it to [confcentre@unifor.org](mailto:confcentre@unifor.org).

Accommodations on-site will be handled on a first come first served basis. To participate in the conference, you must have accommodations made at/by the Centre. If the Centre is fully booked, the Centre staff will advise you (or your local) and will make a reservation off-site at a nearby hotel and notify you with the pertinent reservation information.

Room check-in begins at 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 5, 2025.

If you are arriving outside of the above noted hours, please ring the buzzer and maintenance will provide you with your accommodation key.

Check-out is at 10:00 a.m. on the date of your departure.

### Accommodation Fees

This Unifor Family Education Centre Reservation form must be fully completed and sent along with the accommodation fee no later than May 15, 2025. Completed forms should be sent by email to [confcentre@unifor.org](mailto:confcentre@unifor.org) or by mail to:

Unifor Family Education Centre  
115 Shipley Avenue  
Port Elgin ON N0H 2C5  
Re: EI/CPP Conference

Room and board fees for the Conference (accommodation & meals) are as follows (based on 3 nights' accommodations):

Shared Room (with another delegate)	\$765 per delegate
Single Room (one person in room)	\$990 per delegate
Single Room with partner or child (17+)	\$1215 per pair
Children 5 to 12 years	\$150 per child
Children 1 to 4 years	\$60 per child
Children under 1	no charge

Note: If family member(s) are being paid for **by the individual** and not by the local, the local pays the 'single occupancy' rate and the following rates apply (including taxes):

Spouse or child aged 12+	\$254.25
Children ages 5 to 11 years	\$169.50
Children ages 1 to 4 years	\$67.80

Please note: Double occupancy units are also equipped with a separate study room which includes a single fold-out 'Murphy bed' for those wishing additional privacy.

If your delegate wishes to share a room, please ensure they note this on their Registration Form. Please ensure to indicate if a smoking or accessible room is required.

All outstanding room and board fees, including spouse and children, will be the responsibility of the local union delegate.

### **Cancellation Policy**

Failure to notify the Centre (by email) of room cancellations 48 hours prior to the event will result in one night charge to the final bill. Notices of cancellation can be emailed to [confcentre@unifor.org](mailto:confcentre@unifor.org).

### **Conference Fee**

There is a \$60 conference fee to cover conference materials, etc. Each delegate must pay \$60 by a separate cheque made payable to:

Unifor Family Education Centre  
115 Shipley Avenue  
Port Elgin ON N0H 2C5  
Re: EI/CPP Conference fee

### **Workshop Selection**

Please complete the workshop selection form included with the call letter and send by email to [Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org](mailto:Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org) by May 15, 2025.

## Child Care

Child Care is available and included for this conference for children ages 0 – 12 of eligible participants during conference hours only.

An eligible participant is a single parent/guardian, a parent/guardian not accompanied by a spouse/companion or where both parents/guardians are delegates. Participants requiring childcare must pre-register. Include the childcare form with the conference registration form that is returned to the Unifor Family Education Centre.

If you have any questions regarding childcare, please call 1-519-389-3233/1-800-265-3735 Ext 3233 or email [fecchildcare@unifor.org](mailto:fecchildcare@unifor.org).

## Payment & Registration Requirements

Include the following:

- Port Elgin Reservation Form
- \$60.00 conference fee. **Each delegate must pay \$60.00 by a separate cheque to cover conference materials, etc. Make the cheque payable to: Unifor Family Education Centre.**
- A separate cheque for accommodation and meals
- Childcare form

## Registration Deadline: May 15, 2025

## COVID-19 and Respiratory Viruses Policy

If you are feeling sick, please do not come to the Centre. If you start to feel sick while at the Family Education Centre, notify the front desk immediately. Please stay in your room and arrangements will be made for you to return home. If you need further guidance on the severity of your symptoms, please complete the [self-assessment tool](#) and follow the guidelines.

## On-site Registration

Onsite registration will be available on Thursday, June 5 beginning at 3:00 p.m. Once you have checked in at the front desk, please make your way to the registration table to pick up the items for the conference.

## Questions

If you have questions regarding the conference or require additional information, please contact Nasra Mussa by email at [Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org](mailto:Nasra.Mussa@unifor.org).