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GO for less!

The GTAA is funding an innovative fare pilot to make it easier for airport employees to get to and from work using the GO Transit network. You can save 50% on your commute when using a special PRESTO card to travel on eligible GO routes. PRESTO automatically discounts fares when connecting between the GO network and most municipal transit agencies. By taking part in the Airport Employee GO Transit Fare Program, you'll have direct service to Terminal 1. Employees who commute through Renforth and Malton stations on GO routes are also eligible for the discount. Member who regularly take GO Transit to the airport are encourage to write to us with your transit stories, as the Toronto Airport Workers Council is interested in know more about how our members use GO. www.Torontopearson.com/employeego

Pharmacare

The three parties who promised pharmacare won a majority of the vote in October 2019. These three parties, together, now hold the majority in the House of Commons, which means they now hold the power to change the lives of millions of Canadians. As Parliament resumed, a coalition of pharmacare advocates gathered in Ottawa to strategize the next steps to ensure the successful delivery of universal pharmacare. With polls showing over 90 per cent of Canadians in support of a national pharmacare program, and the Hoskins Report providing a clear path to implementation, 2020 is set to deliver big change to the way Canadians access their prescriptions.

With a plan and appropriate funding, Parliament has the opportunity to make history and completely realign the way prescription medication is delivered and paid for in Canada. Click here for the entire article written by Hassasn Yussuff and click here to sign the petition to make Pharmacare a reality. https://canadianlabour.ca/pharmacares-time-is-now/

Retirement Age is on the Rise



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Freedom 55? It's looking more like Freedom 70 for some Canadians, but there are strategies that working baby boomers, generation Xers and millennials can employ now to lower their retirement age, according to a report by Mercer. "Allowing access to employee savings that promote debt re-payment, while the company contributes towards retirement, access to personal savings accounts through the workplace and guidance to prepare employees as they approach retirement are all steps to moving employees towards financial freedom."

https://www.benefitscanada.com/news/retirement-agerising-for-millennials-gen-x-and-boomers-report-142961?utm_campaign=Head_022620_CAN& utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua

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