

# SPOTLIGHT



## On Social Work Regulation

### **How did social work become a regulated profession in NL?**

It all started with a small but mighty group of individuals who came together in 1951 to form the Newfoundland branch of the Canadian Association of Social Workers (CASW). Incorporation of the Newfoundland branch in 1970 resulted in the establishment of the Newfoundland Association of Social Workers (NASW). NASW tirelessly advocated for social work regulation citing the need for accountability and ethics in social work practice.

### **When did social work become a regulated profession in NL?**

The advocacy efforts of the NASW were successful in 1992. The Social Workers Association Act received Royal Assent on June 11, 1992. The Act was formally proclaimed on September 1, 1993.

Interested in learning more about the history of social work regulation and the growth of the social work profession in NL? Check out the following - [https://nlcsw.ca/NLCSW\\_History](https://nlcsw.ca/NLCSW_History).