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## Premier Taptuna appoints associate deputy minister for quality of life

**IQUALUIT, Nunavut (November 13, 2015)** – Premier Peter Taptuna today announced the appointment of Karen Kilikvak Kabloona as associate deputy minister for quality of life with the Department of Health.

“Prevention and response to suicide does not lie with a single department, and must involve collaboration and action by our partners and our communities,” said Premier Taptuna. “The associate deputy minister will lead the greater effort to see that all stakeholders and our government are engaged in moving the Nunavut suicide prevention strategy forward, which is key to address change.”

Effective November 16, 2015, Ms. Kabloona will coordinate a government-wide approach to suicide prevention across all departments, and work to ensure effective and targeted responses and solutions to mitigate the suicide crisis in Nunavut.

Ms. Kabloona was previously a senior manager with the Department of Economic Development and Transportation, and has extensive experience in legislative and government processes.

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