The Winter edition of *NetworkNews* – CPRN in a nutshell

March 9, 2001 – This issue of *NetworkNews* displays as well as any the breadth of CPRN's activities.

Some of the topics in this issue;

Investing in Canadian Families – Who's Doing What? – a look at a new paper by the Director of the Family Network, Jane Jenson and CPRN Researcher, Caroline Beauvais. They describe two "paradigms" representing significantly different policy approaches towards the needs of children and families, one well-established by the 1960s, the other more recent. They also present, for the first time anywhere, detailed and easy to compare information on a wide range of programs directed at families and children by all ten provinces and the federal government.

Finding Workers, Keeping Workers – a peek between the covers of the final report of the Work Network's Human Resources in Government Project. Work Network Director, Graham Lowe, outlines his recipe for the renewal of the public sector, still recovering from a decade of upheaval. Lowe is convinced the right strategy can serve two goals - a higher quality work experience for public employees, and more efficient and effective service to the public. He isolates a number of issues that need to be addressed if the public workplace is to become the workplace of choice.

The Future of the Health Network – a conversation with Judith Maxwell. *NetworkNews* asks Mrs. Maxwell what's next on CPRN's health-related research agenda.

Making the Lalonde Report – CPRN researcher, Lindsey McKay's examination of the circumstances that gave rise to the conception and writing of the Lalonde Report, considered by many as one of the most influential health policy documents produced in Canada.

Women and Corporate Directorships in Canada – women occupy less than 10% of the seats on Canadian boards of directors, an improvement on years past, but a situation far from ideal. University of Alberta sociologist, Karen Hughes, describes what boards are looking for and outlines what needs to be done to boost the presence of women.

And, in her regular column, Judith Maxwell calls for a national debate on closing what she calls "the learning gap".

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