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# Pay Equity For Federally Regulated Employers



Receive the best, most up-to-date information, insights and practical strategies from the most experienced pay equity practitioners in the country:

- All-new special morning session!
- Mitigate consequences of missed deadlines!
- Learn how to apply to the Pay Equity Commissioner
  - o for more time to post and file your pay equity plan,
  - for an extension of time to phase in increases in compensation.

### Catch Up! Get Back On Track - Complete Your Plan As Quickly As Possible

- Anticipate the long and short-term impact of pay equity on current and future practices.
- See the big picture to understand where each step in the pay equity process fits.
- Grasp the principles underpinning proactive pay equity.
- Learn why it's an uphill battle to get permission for more than one plan.
- Understand how job classes drive complexity of implementation and financial outcomes.
- Learn about a fast, alternative method of valuing work called policy capturing.
- Know what you have to calculate and how to perform the calculation to determine differences in compensation between job classes of equal value.
- Select a wage gap methodology to redress wage discrimination without disrupting existing compensation models.
- Effectively communicate the contents of your plan.



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### DAY ONE PROGRAM AGENDA: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024

10:00 - 10:15 EST



Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Chair Renée Caron, Principal, Renee Caron Consulting

10:15 - 11:30 EST



**Action Plans: Mitigate The Consequences Of Missed Deadlines!** 

Renée Caron, Principal, Renee Caron Consulting

Special Morning Session: Action Plans For Federal Employers Who Have (Or Will) Miss Important Deadlines

If you are a federally regulated organization in Canada and you have missed, or are about to miss, the deadlines for achieving pay equity there are consequences! Administrative monetary penalties and fines, compliance orders, commission audits, investigations, reviews, imposed timelines, reputational damage, legal actions from employees who file complaints, ongoing monitoring by the Commission.

The deadline for posting a draft pay equity plan for employee comment is **July 5, 2024**.

The deadline for posting your final plan is 60 days later, **September 3, 2024**.

Compensation adjustments must be made immediately unless an employer qualifies for phased-in increases, or obtains extra time to increase compensation.

This all -new timely, Infonex morning session will provide specific guidance and information on communicating with the Commission to minimize potential serious negative repercussions and consequences and negotiate realistic new deadlines.

Topics Will Include:

### What To Do If You Need Additional Time To Finalize And Post Your Pay Equity Plan

- Applying to the Pay Equity Commissioner for an extension of time to post a pay equity plan.
- Criteria the Commissioner will use to assess your request.

### You Need More Time To Phase In Increases In Compensation

- Applying for an extension of time to phase in increases in compensation.
- Demonstrating extreme financial hardship is a high threshold to cross.

11:30 - 12:15 EST

### Impact of the Move from Reactive to Proactive Pay Equity - on Just About Everything You Do

This session will highlight the dramatic ricochet effect of the new proactive pay equity regime on everything you do – from the way you identify job classes and value work, to the way you calculate total compensation and select your job evaluation methodology, to the way you approach collective bargaining and more. It will include:

- Fundamental changes in the way you approach compensation issues.
- The need to see the big picture to understand how to perform every step in the pay equity process.
- Impact on employer obligation to produce and post a pay equity plan.

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- The information that must be included and the information that must be shared in the design and creation of the plan.
- The challenges ahead.
- Impact on how employers and unions will negotiate in this new space.

12:15 - 13:15 EST Break

13:15 - 14:00 EST

### Important New Philosophy, Principles and Foundations of Proactive Federal Pay Equity

This session will provide you with a deep and fundamental understanding of the new philosophy, principles and foundations that underpin the federal Pay Equity Act. This understanding will guide and help you with implementation.

- What the Pay Equity Act attempts to achieve, over and above Human Rights Code Compliance.
- Why the move to proactive pay equity?
- What has changed?
- · New philosophy.
- Historical developments crucial to your basic understanding of the new regime.
- The pay equity exercise: Who and what is involved?
- Deadlines and considerations for developing a plan to meet statutory obligations.
- The thorny question of determining who is an employee.
- When are you part of a "group of employers"?
- Establishing committees and determining who can be on a committee.
- Key considerations in planning and analyzing compliance with the Pay Equity Act.

14:45 - 15:30 EST

### What You Have to Calculate: Total Compensation in Dollars per Hour for Each of the Job Classes (Including Pensions, Benefits and More)

- What must be included?
- What can be excluded?
- Unique considerations for public and private sectors and family-owned business.

15:30 - 16:15 EST

### Permission to Have More Than One Plan? Don't Count on It!

You only get one chance to make your case and the recent denial of Treasury Board Secretariat's application to the Commission for authorization to have more than one pay equity plan underscores the fact that this will be an uphill battle. Reasons why Treasury Board's application and other submissions have been denied.

- Lessons learned.
- Arguments that failed and why.
- What might work?

16:15 EST

**End of Day One** 

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Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Chair Renée Caron, Principal, Renee Caron Consulting

10:15 - 11:15 EST

### Coordinating Pay Equity with Your Job Evaluation and Compensation-Setting Systems (Including Collective Bargaining)

- How to manage the impact of pay equity on your job evaluation system.
- How to coordinate two compensation-setting mechanisms, pay equity and collective bargaining.

11:15 - 12:00 EST

### Meet the Challenges of Preparing and Communicating the Contents of the Pay Equity Plan

The final piece of implementation is the preparation and posting of a pay equity plan. This session will focus not only on what you have to prepare, but on how to effectively and efficiently communicate important content with the workforce:

- Finalizing the pay equity plan.
- Content of the plan.
- Posting requirements related to increases in compensation.
- Meeting communication challenges.

12:00 - 13:00 EST Break

13:00 - 14:30 FST

### Comparing Compensation to Determine Whether There Are Any Differences in Compensation Between Job Classes of Equal Value

The wage gap methodologies in the Act are very different than was the case under previous models or in provincial legislation. This session will focus on explaining the models – how they work and considerations for selecting a model that redresses systemic wage discrimination without unduly disrupting existing compensation models and strategies. Key areas of focus include:

- Equal average.
- Wage lines.
- · Sum of differences.

14:30 - 15:30 EST

**TBA** 

15:15 - 16:00 EST



## Policy Capturing: The Faster Method of Valuing Work With Deadlines Looming Renée Caron, Principal, Renee Caron Consulting

The policy capturing method is an alternative method to implement pay equity that can accelerate the process for medium and large organisations.

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- What is the "policy capturing" method?
- What does it involve?
- Is it acceptable?
- Who does it apply to?
- How do you apply it?

16:00 - 16:45 EST



### Wrap Up and Q & A

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16:45 EST

**End of Day Two** 

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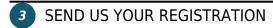
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