

Pauline Marois interviewed on CBC Radio's The Current [CA] ^[1]

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Excerpts from the segment:

If you have young children, and you live in Yellowknife, you probably pay about 30 dollars a day for daycare. In Winnipeg, it's about 20. In Toronto, it's as much as 70. But in Quebec, quality day care is just 7 dollars a day.

It's been 10 years now since the Parti Quebecois introduced the country's first universal daycare program. One of the driving forces behind the plan was then Education and Family minister, Pauline Marois. She is a 30-year veteran of Quebec politics and a working mother who raised four children while holding many ministerial positions. She's now the leader of the Parti Quebecois -- the first woman to lead a political party in Quebec.

But it is her role in creating Quebec's system of universal daycare that has brought her to Toronto where the Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care has recognized her with their Excellence in Advocacy Award.

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