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Jones says Labrador in dire need of social workers

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Liberal Opposition Leader Yvonne Jones wants more social workers placed in Labrador communities immediately.

She says initiatives need to be developed to recruit and retain the professionals.

"The workload of social workers in Labrador continues to grow and so do the vacancies in positions," Jones says.

She says government has been trying to attract new social workers to Labrador communities, but there few are willing to relocate, especially with the current wages and the challenges they would face there.

Jones said programs that increase travel allowances, housing benefits or extra remuneration may help bring in more workers.

