

International Women's Day 2013 is a good time to remember that childcare is essential for women's equality. The Coalition has issued a [IWD 2013 Press release.pdf](#) calling for political action on childcare, asking why Manitoba families don't have the same kind of accessible affordable childcare that Quebec families do.

For more reasons why childcare is a women's issue, you can read the wonderful [blog entry](#) by Martha Friendly and Shani Halfon of the Childcare Resource and Research Unit, who ask ["Think childcare is no longer a women's issue? Think again."](#)