

**PEEL LONG TERM CARE
RESIDENTIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

PILOT PROJECT

WHO ARE WE?

A group of individuals representing:

- Community Living Organizations
- Long Term Care Facilities in Peel
- The Region of Peel
- C.C.A.C.
- MCSS
- MOHLTC

WHY DID WE FORM?

- Community Living Organizations recognized that the care needs of some aging persons with a developmental disability could not be met in the community.
- Community Living Organizations were experiencing difficulties coping with these emerging needs.
- Recognition that Persons with a developmental disability had the same rights as other citizens to access LTC.

WHY DID WE FORM?

- Community Living Organizations felt that Persons with a developmental disability should be accessing resources in long Term Care if warranted.
- Long Term Care in Peel was faced with a surplus of 'beds.'
- This created a unique opportunity to develop a mutually beneficial partnership between the sectors.

INTENT OF THE PROJECT

To develop a model that would ease the transition of persons with a developmental disability into Long Term Care while taking into account their unique needs and interests.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT

- Collaboration to meet the needs of the person with a developmental disability.
- Responsive supports.
- Continuity in support between sectors.
- Shared resources.
- Shared knowledge and understanding between sectors.
- To provide a 'quality of life.'
- Person focused service.
- Seamless support model.

WHAT DID WE DO?

- In May 2003 representatives from both sectors met to discuss how to promote access of persons with a developmental disability into Long Term Care.
- Other representatives from both sectors, CCAC, Region of Peel and the two ministries were subsequently invited to join.
- Working groups were developed to work on key components of the project

WHAT DID WE DO?

- We held two planning sessions involving representatives from both sectors and CCAC using the 'Project Logic' model to develop a proposal to be submitted to MCSS for funding.
- Made the decision that 10-16 persons will have the opportunity to participate in the pilot project.

WHAT DID WE DO?

- Once the prospective participants were deemed by CCHC to be eligible for Long Term Care then each would have the opportunity to choose from available spaces in Malton Village, a new Long Term Care Facility in Malton.
- Work continued on the components and the project was launched at the beginning of July 2004.

PILOT PROJECT TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose

To support people with a developmental disability to lead enriched and meaningful lives in Long Term Care in partnership with their families and the community.

Decision Making

Consensus model.

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Governance

Pilot project steering committee comprised of representatives from both sectors including co chairs-one from each sector.

Term of appointment

Eighteen months

Financial Resourcing

MCSS For the project. MHLTC for beds and office space for the coordinator.

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Accountability

- Through MCSS.
- Malton Village (LTC) Director of Care.
- Peel Planning Group.

Staffing

- One full-time Project Coordinator (roles and responsibilities defined in proposal).

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Evaluation

- Identification of best practices.
- Evaluation of client and family satisfaction.
- Develop an understanding of what works and what does not work and compare with persons in LTC not a part of the pilot project.

SOME PRELIMINARY BEST PRACTICES

- Orientation of LTC staff to value-based issues relating to persons with a developmental disability.
- Training of LTC staff to unique behavioral issues.
- Participation of family members and Support Workers from Developmental Services in the complete transition process and individual planning with the person.

SOME PRELIMINARY BEST PRACTICES

- Identifying and dispelling myths about persons with a developmental disability and the Long Term Care Home by:
 - Offering tours of Malton Village to Support Workers as well as family members.
 - Providing information packages that include information on the transition process.
 - Generating information sessions or forums for individuals, their families and Support Workers considering Long Term Care for those they care about.

SOME PRELIMINARY BEST PRACTICES

- Implementing off-site training to other prospective LTC facilities after the pilot project.
- Generating on-going partnerships between developmental service organizations and LTC facilities.
- Generating partnership between CCAC and LTC to lengthen the assessment and admission process because persons with a disability may take longer to adjust.

SOME PRELIMINARY BEST PRACTICES

- Information session for family and Support Workers regarding the capacity to consent.
- Implementation of surveys for continuous quality improvement for participants of the pilot project to monitor a person's satisfaction.
- Inclusion of students in the developmental service sector placements in Malton Village.