

That older adults with a developmental disability have the same rights to support and services as all older Ontarians

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PROVINCIAL SYMPOSIUM MARCH 9, 10 AND 11 2009

“Inclusion Comes of Age”. Pass the information along to your networks, colleagues and employees. Program brochure and registration form is available at www.opadd.on.ca and is now being mailed out electronically and in hard copy. Full symposium registration \$300.00. Book your hotel by February 21 to get special symposium rate.

A few highlights:

“Building Capacity as Inclusion Comes of Age”

Keynote Speaker: Lilian Thorpe, BSc, MSc, MD, PhD, FRCPC - 9:15 A.M. Tuesday March 10

“Best Practices in Aging and Developmental Disabilities”

Principal Speaker: [Tamar Heller](#), PhD - 11:30 A.M. Tuesday March 10

“The Power of the Vision”

Motivational Speaker: Terry Kelly - (Following dinner) 8:00 P.M. Tuesday March 10

“Quality of Life:

What it is and how it can support people with developmental disabilities as they age”

Principal Speaker: Roy Brown, PhD, FIASSID, Emeritus Professor University of Calgary, Canada & Flinders University, Australia - 9:00 A.M Wednesday March 11

BLUEPRINT REPORT READY

The Blueprint report was presented at OPADD Jan 30 09. The findings from the research will inform the further development of best practices in transition planning. The transition planning model will be described in a Guide for managers and planners and in a PowerPoint that can be used for information and training.

VIDEO-CONFERENCING CANCELLED

Due to the economic turmoil, with its impact on the not for profit sector, the videoconferencing project has been cancelled. Equipment costs would be \$15,000 with a two year warranty. Membership fees would be \$5250.00 per year.

OPADD PROPOSAL TO REMAIN A COP WITH SHRTN

OPADD has submitted a Letter of Intent to be considered as a Community of Practice with SHRTN for 2009/10. If OPADD is invited to submit a proposal and is approved, Sandy Stemp and Jennifer Pimeck will be co-leads for the CoP work group.

SHRTN - OPADD - AGING AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SHOWCASE PROJECT

The Showcase Project is being provided on line this month. Watch for announcements and sign up.

OPADD MEETING SCHEDULE

Next OPADD Provincial Table Meeting 11:45 AM Friday April 17 2009
Next Regional Co-Chair Teleconference - March 5 11 AM - 12 NOON