



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

## UPDATE MAY 2008

### OPADD SYMPOSIUM

A task group is being formed to help with planning the OPADD Symposium to take place sometime late in the fiscal year. A March 2009 date is likely. If you have any thoughts or ideas about the symposium please drop us an E-mail or call.

### WELLINGTON COUNTY WORKSHOP

The committee dealing with aging and developmental disabilities in Wellington County is planning a workshop for later this year. Committee members may be approaching those of you in other regions who have experience with workshops, for ideas of speakers, etc.

### TRANSITION PLANNING BLUEPRINT

The Transition Planning Blueprint Task Group has met three times via teleconference. A questionnaire has been distributed to collect information on transition planning practice of service providers: both actual and desirable practices. If you know of or work for a service provider, which practices transition planning to older adulthood, let us know. We are seeking a selective sample of LTC and DS agencies to reply to the questionnaire. The deadline for return of the questionnaire has been extended to May 24 2008.

### SHRTN - PROPOSAL TO BECOME A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

OPADD submitted a proposal in April to become a Community of Practice with SHRTN. A decision on our application has not yet been received.

### GUIDE TO PROPERTY AND PERSONAL CARE

We are continuing to distribute the Guide in hard copy to various stakeholders. Interest has been high and we have received several bulk orders for additional copies. Additional copies are available for \$5.00 to cover the cost of printing and distribution. The Guide is also available on the OPADD web site.

### DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION TO OPADD STAKEHOLDERS

- Our new address for e-mailing information to you is [ronc@opadd.on.ca](mailto:ronc@opadd.on.ca) and [marias@opadd.on.ca](mailto:marias@opadd.on.ca)
- Continue to send e-mail to us at the old address [rcoristine@reena.org](mailto:rcoristine@reena.org) and [marias@reena.org](mailto:marias@reena.org)

### THE OPADD LETTER

Next edition will be out June 2008. Send articles, photos, announcements by May 15 2008 to [msalvatore@reena.org](mailto:msalvatore@reena.org)

### SUSTAINABILITY PLANNING

The Collaborative Committee continues discussion on sustainability planning. A Plan to provide direction for the work ahead, after Ontario Trillium Foundation funding is exhausted, will be available in the coming weeks.