



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

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ANNE AMORE IS MOVING ON

Anne Amore, Administrative Assistant, has provided invaluable support to the project since July 2004. Anne is leaving the project on October 5 for a permanent position elsewhere. She will be missed here at the office by regions and others who received so much assistance from her over the past three plus years. We wish Anne every success in her new permanent position. Thanks Anne! If you want to send wishes to Anne, you can reach her this week at 905-889-2690 x2204 or aamore@reena.org

NEXT OPADD MEETING

12 Noon Friday October 12 2006 in the Training Room at Reena. Lunch will be served. Elizabeth Estevez of the Seniors Secretariat will be presenting on the role and priorities of the Secretariat. Joe Persaud of Reena will be reporting as a member of a panel looking at curriculum reform in the DS sector.

OTTAWA/CHAMPLAIN DEVELOPING LOCAL PROJECTS

At its meeting Sept 27, the Ottawa/Champlain Regional Committee began working on proposals for local cross sector initiatives that support planning and service delivery for older adults with a developmental disability. Ottawa/Champlain reports that they are also consulting with the Southeast Region to learn from them.

NORTHEAST TO MEET WITH SUDBURY REGIONAL LTC COMMITTEE

The Sudbury Regional LTC Committee has invited representatives of the Northeast Regional OPADD Committee to meet with them to explore broadening cross sector participation. A meeting date has not yet been set but it is expected to be sometime in October or November.

BUILDING SUSTAINABILITY

Thank-you to the five regions that have participated in the sustainability dialogue to date. We are waiting on a date from South Central, Southeast and Northwest to ensure all eight regions have input. The perspective of regions is key to building an effective sustainability strategy prior to the exhaustion of funding March 31 2009.

LOCAL PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS - we know you're out there somewhere

Thank-you to regions and local projects that have been submitting project descriptions for posting to the web site. There are more out there. We are looking for real life examples of cross sector partnering in planning and service delivery. These will be posted to the OPADD web site for sharing across Ontario. Help your colleagues identify ideas and models that can be duplicated in their jurisdictions. Provide a brief description and send it via e-mail to rcoristine@reena.org

TRAVEL COSTS

For the most part, the Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant has covered travel costs for project staff to visit regions and participate in workshops. Due to the pressure this poses on the project's travel budget, regions are now being asked to contribute to travel costs for project staff to present at workshops. This "fiscal" partnership will help us get to the end of the project and the end of project funding at the same time. If you have any questions about this please e-mail Ron at rcoristine@reena.org