

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

UPDATE JANUARY 2009

HAPPY NEW YEAR OPADD

PROVINCIAL SYMPOSIUM MARCH 9, 10 AND 11 2009

The program is coming together and the full symposium brochure will be published in mid January. Check out the OPADD website for symposium updates. Got ideas for presentations contact Ron at ronc@opadd.on.ca

BLUEPRINT REPORT READY

The Blueprint report is ready and will be reviewed by the Blueprint Task Group prior to submission to OPADD. A brief Guide for managers and planners on implementing the transition planning blueprint is currently under development.

VIDEO-CONFERENCING on HOLD

Due to the economic turmoil, with its impact on the not for profit sector, the videoconferencing project has been put on hold until we can see our way clear to how it will be financed. Equipment costs are \$15,000 with a two year warranty. Membership fees are \$5250.00 per year.

OPADD PROPOSAL TO REMAIN A COP WITH SHRTN

OPADD will be developing a proposal; to remain a cop within SHRTN for another year. Sandy Stemp will be one of the two co-leads for the CoP work group. A co-lead from LTC is being sought.

SHRTN - OPADD - AGING AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SHOWCASE PROJECT

The Showcase Project is developing and we have identified a number of cross sector projects for inclusion. Up to six projects will be featured in the Showcase. Limited time and resources preclude more projects from participating. However, both Showcase and other cross sector projects will be accommodated at the OPADD Symposium 2009. Stay tuned for news on Showcase presentations.

Part 1 - Mid January - Showcase project presentations and discussions via Adobe Acrobat Connect.

Part 2 - February - Onsite partnership building and coaching / short-term mentoring using a process to build knowledge among existing players and those new to partnering.

Part 3 - February/March - Follow-up Knowledge Exchange session with coaching.

Part 4 - March 9, 10, 11 - OPADD Symposium.

OPADD EVALUATION

A proposal to fund the OPADD evaluation has been submitted to the three Ministries. Additional resources will support a well-designed and implemented analysis of the OPADD project. The formal evaluation, if funded will require data-gathering through May followed by analysis and a final report by the end of June 09.

OPADD MEETING SCHEDULE

Regional Co-Chair Teleconferences - 11 AM - 12 NOON

- Thursday January 15 2009.
- Thursday March 5 2009.

OPADD Provincial Table - 11:45 AM Reena Training Room Lower Level:

- Friday January 30 2009 - Blueprint Report will be presented.