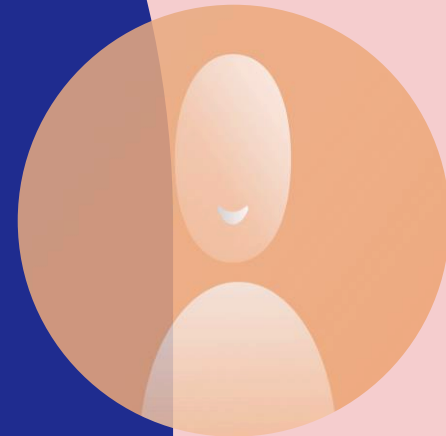


FAMILY AS PARTNERS YEAR 2

MARCH 19, 2025



INFO

It is important that we continue to complete/update the Journey to Belonging workbook.

CLAPW Membership form - \$10/yr March 2025-March 2026. You can complete electronic Membership form on CLAPW Website.

We have a new Families as Partners Pamphlet that will be available soon.

We will send out to Rec Centres, Schools, Doctor's offices, etc. This also gives us Digital and Printed options



Our Goals

We believe that knowledge is power, and we want to ensure that families have all the information and knowledge they require to help plan for the future of their loved ones.

Together with families we will explore the many options of support currently available. Additionally, families will be able to learn from one another's approaches they are using and perhaps build relationships that may lead to collaborative family initiatives.

We hope to see you there!

Visit clapw.org under the events tab for details on monthly meetings.

Follow our Facebook feed www.facebook.com/clapw/ for updates.

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Families As Partners



Our Vision

The Community Living 'Families as Partners' Group will enable family members of youth, adults and seniors, who have an intellectual disability, explore options for creating a good life in the community.

Members of the group will hear from guest speakers including parents from across the province who have established unique and creative support options.

Members of the group will learn about available community resources, support, and will be supported through exploring options for their loved ones.



The family members participating in this program will learn about available community resources, planning tools and techniques available to support their loved ones. This information will be shared by a variety of sources including other parents and caregivers who have planned successfully for their family member.

We want to empower families to seek information and explore creative options for helping their loved ones to be fully engaged in the life of the community.

IMPORTANT DATES CLO

I'm happy to report that Chris Beesly, CEO of Community Living Ontario (CLO), will be the Presenter at our April 16th meeting. He will be accompanied by another staff member who heads up work with Family Groups.

If you're interested in attending Family Conference May 31-June 1, please apply on CLAPW Website link.

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Applications are now open for CLO's first-ever Family Conference, happening Saturday, May 31 – Sunday, June 1, 2025!

With simultaneous in-person gatherings and virtual connections across six locations in Ontario, this is a one-of-a-kind event you and your family members won't want to miss.

Who can apply? Families in Ontario with children who have disabilities.


📅 Application deadline: Monday, March 31, 2025, at 5 PM EDT

✅ Notification: Successful applicants will be informed by mid-April.

🔗 Apply now: <https://bit.ly/CLO-Family-Conference-2025>

CLO'S FAMILY CONFERENCE COMMUNITY LIVING Ontario

Applications for Families Now Open!



IMPORTANT DATES P4P

COMING UP

Wednesday

Mar 26
2025

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Future Planning With Siblings In Mind

Learn how parents and adult siblings can come together to begin ongoing conversations on planning for a family member with a disability.

Wednesday

Apr 02
2025

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Wills and Estate Planning

Find out how a will and estate plan can ensure that your loved one has a secure future.



P4P empowers people with disabilities and their families with FREE resources to create meaningful lives and secure futures, firmly rooted in community.

YES!

[Send me updates on new webcasts and resources](#)

Future Planning With Siblings In Mind March 26, 2025 at 7pm

When considering the future for a child with a disability, many parents struggle when thinking about the roles their other children may play. Parents encourage the siblings to live their own full lives and can be hesitant to share their future plans. But siblings may want to be involved in the planning process particularly if they will take on more responsibility later in life. Avoiding conversations about plans for the future is never a good idea.

In this updated webcast, learn how parents and adult siblings can come together to begin ongoing conversations on planning for a family member with a disability.

A live Q&A with our panelists will follow the webcast.

Next Meeting is:

Wednesday, April 16th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm

At CLAPW, 36 Emperor Rd., Ajax



THANK YOU !

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