



Advancing Community Support Services
across Eastern Ontario.

Eastern Ontario CSS Providers Update

In April, we're eager to highlight fresh initiatives, celebrate your ongoing successes, and continue showcasing the dynamic work of CSS providers across Ontario East. This month brings a renewed focus on collaboration, innovative community outreach, and the shared dedication that fuels our collective progress.

Several new resources, stories, and learning opportunities are on the horizon. We hope these updates will inspire and support your teams, helping us all stay connected as we work toward stronger, more vibrant communities.

Stay tuned for news, events, and accomplishments that will guide our efforts this spring. Let's keep pushing forward together, building on the foundations we've established and exploring new ways to make a positive impact.



GENERAL INFORMATION

A successful CSS Providers Ontario East meeting was held on Feb 12th, 2025. The meeting includes insights on valuable aspects, updates and new initiatives. With large number of participants engagement and participation was highlighted. The meeting received positive feedback with a few suggestions for the future. To read more check [meeting notes](#).

Next CSS Providers Ontario East Meeting will be on Apr 9th, 2025. [Link to Join](#). Any



NAVIGATION AND REFERRAL

Please see the most recent **e-referral snapshot** below. Join us at the CSS Providers Meeting on April 9th for a closer look at statistics across the AccessCSS Network.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Marketing and Communications Coordinator at the Dementia Society.

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Supervisor - Personal Support Services at Carefor Eastern Services.

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questions, please contact
Reem Haddad.

The Minister of Diversity, Inclusion and Persons with Disabilities, Kamal Khera, announced that the **Canada Disability Benefit Regulations** will come into force on May 15, 2025, completing the legislative process for this new benefit —application details are forthcoming, with payments expected to begin in July 2025.

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Relief Services Coordinator at Vista Centre Brain Injury Services.

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TRAININGS AND WEBINARS

We are committed to providing you with **relevant and valuable training opportunities** to support your organizations.

To ensure we meet your needs, we kindly ask you to **complete this brief survey** about your training preferences and recommendations. Your input will help us plan and deliver impactful training sessions. The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to complete.

[Access it here](#)



COMMUNICATION

E-signatures for **April** are available via an attached link.

[Download them here](#)

The Canada Volunteers Award invites you to nominate an outstanding individual, not-for-profit organization, social enterprise, or socially responsible business for Canada's Volunteer Awards before May 8, 2025, and help them receive well-deserved recognition for improving their community.

We invite you to join us for an insightful sessions on **privacy fundamentals**,

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and Cybersecurity. Whether you're looking to strengthen your understanding of privacy concepts or stay informed on the latest changes, these trainings will provide valuable insights. For more details and registration, please check below.

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Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario is pleased to share a series of events aimed at educating, training, and raising awareness about elder abuse prevention.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The Federation of Black Canadians shares **nine** grant opportunities. They range from workforce development to youth-led initiatives and equity-focused projects. The deadlines last until the end of April 2025.

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CSS PROVIDER HIGHLIGHT

Meals on Wheels will be hosting a "Sing into Spring" concert with the Big Soul Project Community Choir on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at 7pm.

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HEALTH SYSTEM PARTNER UPDATES

IAR Support Contact: Please note that Ontario Health's Integrated Assessment Records (IAR) contact email address for all IAR General inquiries or IAR form submissions such as IAR User Access, IAR IP Address Maintenance, IAR User Authority and IAR Business Sustainment Roles requests can be submitted via email to: IAR_Submissions@ontariohealth.ca.

If you require any IAR Business or Technical escalations **including remote access** to IAR please contact them via email OH-DE-IAR-Program@ontariohealth.ca.

The **OACAO 2025 Spring Newsletter** is now available to read. It includes important

funding opportunities.

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The Centre for Independent Living in Toronto (CILT)

has shortened the waitlist for its Ministry of Health-funded Direct Funding Program to help more Ontarians with disabilities self-manage their attendant services, hire their own staff, and live with greater independence.

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The Ontario Caregiver Coalition has launched its fourth policy brief, Building a Better Ontario for Caregivers.

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The University of Ottawa

invites you to become a Community Partner at no cost.

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The Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility has published the 2025–26 Seniors Active Living Centres Program Guidelines.

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Have news to share? We'd love to hear from you! Our newsletter thrives on updates from our community members. Whether it's an upcoming event, a program highlight, or an inspiring story, drop us a line at info@accesscss.ca.

Help us keep everyone informed about the great work happening across our network!

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