

Our commitment to care United Our Commitment of Commitment Ontario Community Support Association

Home and Community Support Services

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OCSA supports the common goals of not-for-profit home care and community support providers helping seniors, people with disabilities, convalescing from serious illness and their caregivers

Helping People Live at Home



Who are OCSA's members?

Home and Community Support organizations & branches in all 14 LHINs (also many First Nations)

Range in size from large, national & provincial home care providers to small local volunteer and mission-driven agencies

 Rooted in a long tradition of responding to community needs -- play an essential part in the health care system in Ontario



United in our commitment to care

- Over 700

 organizations are funded to provide
 CSS province wide
- Workforce of 25,000 staff & 100,000 volunteers



Provide services to 750,000 Ontarians



- Focus on the System
 - Support the development of quality services, identification of best practices and quality systems
 - Work toward a sustainable healthcare system, based on robust, quality care provided in the community which is accountable to funders, and administered using good business practices



- Provide information & intelligence to members
 & sector stakeholders including LHINs,
 Government and Researchers
- Provide member services supporting good management / administration
- Provide a venue for networking & peer support opportunities



In addition we have:

 <u>Capacity Builders</u>, a division which provides training, publications and consulting services to members and beyond

 Personal Support Network of Ontario (PSNO), a division which provides training, tangible member services and networking opportunities to personal support workers, their supervisors and PSW trainers.



What do OCSA's members do?



Home Care

 Daily care of community support services

Attendant Care Services

Helping people live at home

- The elderly
- Adults & children with disabilities
- People convalescing from illness
- End of life care
- Caregivers



Home Care Services

- Nursing care
- Therapies
- Personal Support

Delivered through contacts with CCACs





- Community Support Services (CSS) Daily Care
- in the Community
- Help people maintain independence & prevent disease
- Funded by the LHINs, United Way, municipalities, donations and user fees



Assist people with activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living (ADLs and IADLs)



Daily Care

- Supportive Housing

 (aka assisted living personal support, homemaking, emergency & monitoring services)
- <u>Transportation</u> (to medical appointments, social activities)
- Personal Support Services
 (personal hygiene, help with ADLs & IADLs)
- <u>Home Help / Homemaking</u> (routine household activities)
- Foot Care (for those at risk of infections)
- <u>Client Intervention & Assistance</u> (support in critical situations)





Daily Care

 <u>Security Checks &</u> <u>Reassurance / Emergency</u> <u>Response</u> (regular contacts to monitor health and safety or electronic devices)

Home Maintenance & Repair (assisting with heavy household tasks or maintenance for a safe environment – snow shoveling & yard maintenance)





Daily care for Healthy Eating

Meals on Wheels

 (ensure nutrition, health and safety needs are monitored & met – ethnic meals, special diets, frozen meals, good food baskets)



 <u>Congregate Dining / Diners Club</u> (nutritious meals and recreational / educational activities in a group setting)



Daily Care to stay connected

- Social & Recreational Programs (opportunities for friendship, skill development, peer support, mental stimulation, physical activity, life-long learning)
- Friendly Visiting (one-on-one volunteer visiting)
- Intergenerational Programs (specially designed programs for healthy relationships between young people, the elderly & people with a disability or special needs)





Daily care to support caregivers

- <u>Adult Day Program</u> (supervised individual programming – some specialized for dementia or overnight)
- <u>Respite Care</u> (enabling caregivers to have a break)
- Volunteer Hospice Visiting (support by trained volunteers)



<u>Support & counseling / Training, Information &</u>
 <u>Education</u> (assisting caregivers & family members in providing care and emotional support)



Daily Care to support people with disabilities

- <u>Attendant Care Service</u> (homemaking & Personal Support Services to people with disabilities)
- <u>Supportive Housing</u>



 <u>Life Skills Services</u> (teaching ADLs and IADLs to increase personal independence)



How to find your local home & community support providers

 Phone OCSA 416-256-3010 or 1-800-267-6272



- Call your local Community Care Access Centre or Community Information Centre
- Use the Care Guide on-line: <u>www.HomeAndCommunitySupport.ca</u>



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