



Children's Mental Health Ontario Santé mentale pour enfants Ontario





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Reality Budget Work Sheet

	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09 (Est.)
Compensation Levels						
Facility Maintenance						
Travel						
Program Evaluation						
Insurance						



Reality Budget Cont'd

- Compensation Levels: Include salary and benefit base increase amounts expressed as a percentage increase over the five year period.
- Facility Maintenance: Include all facility maintenance / Utilities / Capital Requirements increase amounts expressed as a percentage over the five year period.
- Travel: Include all mileage rate and vehicle lease cost increase amounts expressed as a percentage over the five year period.



Reality Budget Cont'd

- Program Evaluation: Include increase amounts related to internal program evaluation (connected to the movement towards evidenced based practices) increases expressed as a percentage over the five year period.
- Insurance: Include all commercial, vehicle, professional liability, D&O, and any other risk management measure amounts expressed as a percentage over the five year period.



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Advocacy – Moving Forward

Patrick Lake, Board Member, CMHO
Ewa Deszynski, Etobicoke Children's Centre



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Policy/Advocacy Committee - membership

- Ewa Deszynski, Patrick Lake – Co Chairs
- Glen Newby (CE)
- Sally Wills (E)
- Roy Karlstedt (N)
- Nada Martel (T)
- Chris Collins (SW)
- James LeNoury (T)
- Nicholas Kaduck (E)
- Mary Broga (SW)
- Joanne Curran (E)
- Wendy Fairley (E)
- Bronwyn Loucks



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Key Messages

- One in five children and youth suffers from a treatable mental health issue.
- Treatment works!



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Advocacy

“Telling decision makers, potential partners, funders and stakeholders that their agenda will be greatly assisted by what we have to offer.”



Civil Servants

- Charged with reviewing proposals and making recommendations
- Know what's favourable and not in their departments
- Live within a rigid rulebook
- Build policy, programs, systems & legal architecture as well as implementation and costing



Politicians/Political Staff

- Impatient, fast-moving
- Make policy decisions and decide on communications/messaging
- Timelines for achieving outcomes may differ from civil service
- Want to marry policy decision-making with broader objectives of government



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Vehicles at Our Disposal for Advocacy

- Pre-Budget Consultations
- Meetings with Minister of MCYS, political staff
- Meetings with all other politicians
- Meetings with senior bureaucrats, regional office staff



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Supporting Messages for Our Advocacy

- Recent Government initiatives that help promote our cause
- Poverty Agenda
- Roots of Youth Violence Report



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Poverty – Government's Poverty Agenda

- On track for year-end announcement
- Children are the focus
- Strong link between poverty and mental health issues



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Roots of Youth Violence Report

- Released Independent report November 14th
- Calls on government to provide interim investments – and \$200 million for community based access to mental health services, within this government's mandate



Reality Budget

- Leadership of Central East region
- Need to have consistent messaging across the province of budget pressures
- Labour intensive, but will provide the provincial picture that CMHO needs for advocacy



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Reaching Out – between now & provincial budget

- See every Minister/MPP
- Every agency conducts one community activity to get message out



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Inform CMHO

- Regular reports to Policy Advocacy Committee
- Fill in provincial map
- Helps frame larger outreach/advocacy activities for Children's Mental Health Week 2009



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Regional Breakout Agenda

- 1. Reality Budget
- 2. Advocacy Planning
- 3. Children's Mental Health Week
2009 Planning