



# **71st Annual Conference**

# **70 Years Of Innovation**

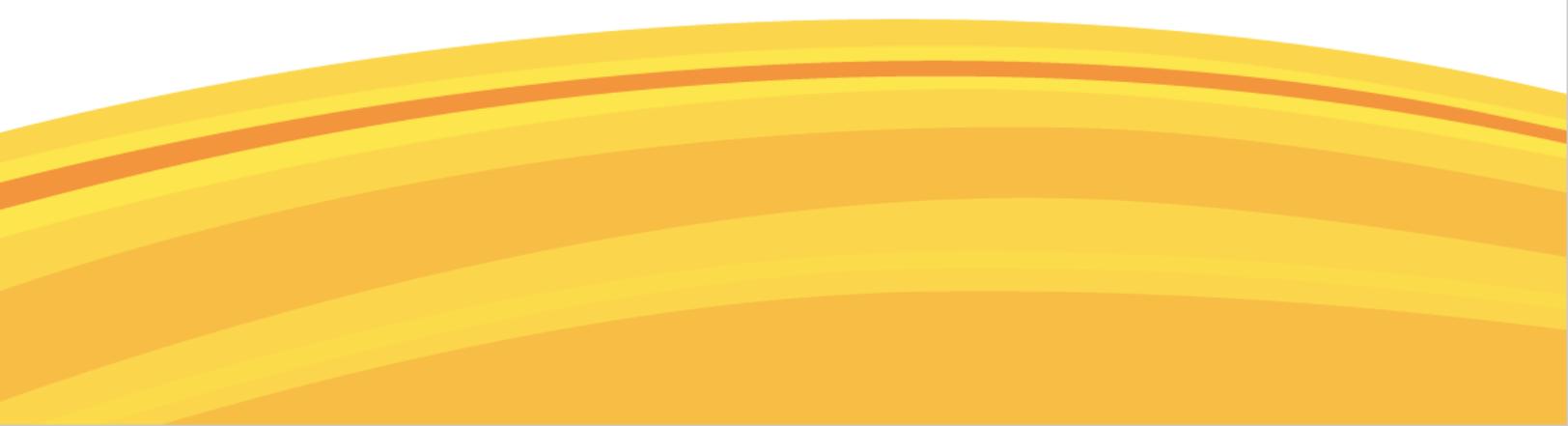
**November 2nd, 2018**

**Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel**

**901 Dixon Road**

**Toronto, Ontario**

**M9W 1J5**



# 70 Years Of Innovation

For the past seventy years, OFCP has been a leader in supporting people with cerebral palsy in the province of Ontario. From the organization's beginnings as a grassroots movement in 1947, we have been working to support our members in their educational, therapeutic and social activities. In doing so, we have always been at the forefront of advocacy concerning people with cerebral palsy. It is this spirit of innovation and commitment to excellence that we will look to carry into the future, continuing to address the needs of people with cerebral palsy throughout their lives.

## Program

8:30 am - 10:30 am - Registration

10:30 am - 11:30 am - Annual General Meeting

11:30 am - 12 pm - Break

12 pm - 1:30 pm - Lunch

1:30 pm - 2 pm - *Discover Your Ability* by Kevin McShan

2 pm - 3 pm - OFCP Annual Awards Presentation Ceremony

3 pm - 3:30 pm - Break

3:30 pm - 4 pm - *It's All About Communication* by Barbara Collier

4 pm - 4:30 pm - *Reflections On the Journey To Date And Thoughts About the Way Ahead* by Warner Clarke and Audrey King

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm - Free Time

5:30 pm - 5:45 pm - President's Speech

5:45 pm - 6:00 pm - OFCP Anniversary Video

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dinner

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm - The Deloraines - *Good Time Music* (Dance)

## Discover Your Ability

### Kevin McShan

As the Discover Ability Network Ambassador for the region of Windsor-Essex, Kevin McShan helps connect employers and job seekers with disabilities, working to reduce the unemployment rate for people with disabilities. Prior to his current role, he is a graduate of St. Clair College's Journalism, Print and New Media Program. Most recently, Kevin was instrumental in the implementation of the WEareAble Project, a new initiative in Windsor-Essex aimed to educate local business and hiring managers about the benefits of hiring individuals with disabilities. Challenging others to reach their fullest potential by maximizing their productivity in life, work and play is Kevin's primary message as a motivational speaker. In attendance will be Louie Di Palma, Discover Ability Project Coordinator.



“Some people claim I’m an inspirational person. I simply view myself as persistently consistent.” - Kevin McShan

## It's All About Communication

### Barbara Collier

Barbara Collier is a founding member and Executive Director of Communication Disabilities Access Canada (CDAC), a national, non-profit organization that promotes accessibility and social justice for people who have communication disabilities. She has worked as a clinician, educator and researcher and has headed up many innovative projects. In her role with CDAC, Barbara provides input to the federal government on its emerging national accessibility legislation, and is a member of Ontario's healthcare standards development committee. She is project manager and primary author of CDAC's communication assistance online training and has set up a national database where people can find assistants to support them communicating in community situations. Since 2007, Barbara has trained over 250 Speech-Language Pathologists to support victims, witnesses and accused persons communicating within the justice system across Canada. In 2010, Barbara was honored as a Fellow of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication.



# Reflections On the Journey To Date And Thoughts About the Way Ahead

## Warner Clarke and Audrey King

The “Reflections on the Journey to Date and Thoughts About the Way Ahead” presentation looks at the history of the development of services for persons with physical disabilities in Ontario as told through significant events and opportunities that created an environment for change. Included in the presentation is acknowledgement of the early and continued work of the OFCP in developing services. This presentation was developed by Audrey King, MA and Warner Clarke, MSW in 2015-16 and has typically involved a dual narration with Audrey speaking of her personal experiences living with a disability through this period of change and Warner from his perspective of working within government as programs and services developed between the late 1980’s and the current decade.

### Warner Clarke

Warner’s early work experience included serving as a Grade 2 teacher, working in a group home for youth and a singer/guitarist. He attended the University of Toronto, then worked in the field of children’s mental health as a residential counselor. In 1982, after completing a Master of Social Work degree, he accepted a three-month contract with the Ministry of Community and Social Services as a vocational rehabilitation counselor. This was his first encounter with working with people with physical disabilities. He later supervised some seniors’ programs in Toronto and eventually took on a portfolio focusing on services for adults with physical disabilities in 1987.



Warner was working for the provincial government when it embarked on a review of the attendant service system that resulted in a significant research paper; that document provided direction to organizations providing services to persons with physical disabilities, but also laid groundwork for the establishment of the Direct Funding pilot project. Warner was a member of the implementation team.

Later, after serving in the corporate policy branch of the Ministry of Health, Warner worked from 2007 until his retirement in 2010, managing a small portfolio of provincially funded services, including the Direct Funding program.

Lately, he has been spending much of his time working with his musical projects; The Deloraines, the Wild Walker Band, The Lost Boys, and Willin' & Abel, and volunteering with a number of other organizations and initiatives in his community.

## **Audrey King**

Audrey King M.A. is a writer, advocate and educator on disability issues. She has served on many boards and advisory committees over the years, including the Ontario March of Dimes, the Ontario Advisory Committee on the Physically Handicapped, the Ontario Assistive Devices Program Advisory Committee, the Metropolitan Toronto District Health Council, the Advisory Committee developing Ontario's PSW Curriculum and the Centre for Independent Living, Toronto. She is a published author of two books and many articles and is internationally recognized as a writer and speaker on many issues related to community living with severe disability.

Audrey's 30 year professional career as a psychologist at Hugh MacMillan Rehabilitation Centre has led to many years of experience with children and teens affected by cerebral palsy. In recent years she cofounded the Bliss I-Band for individuals with severe cerebral palsy. Audrey is currently a board member of the OFCP and CDAC (Communication Disabilities Across Canada).

Audrey's life's work has always been "consumer" focused as she continues to espouse the view that healing, not harm, arises from collaborative relationships, where the views and expertise of those receiving service are really understood.



# Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which meals you will be attending:

Lunch  Dinner

Special Dietary considerations (including any food allergy): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require your meals to be: Pureed \_\_\_\_\_ Chopped \_\_\_\_\_

If you use a mobility device, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Conference Location:** Toronto Airport Marriot Hotel, 901 Dixon Road, Toronto M9W 1J5 Hotel room bookings will be the responsibility of participants at their own cost. In order to receive the OFCP special group rate please call the Marriott Hotel reservations toll free 1-800-905-2811 OR 1-888-236-2427 and ask for the OFCP Group Rate. Please note: No attendant services will be provided if attendee has overnight accommodation.

**Conference Fee:** \$20.00 (includes all meals) (Note: Participants are encouraged to bring their own attendant if possible. Registration and meals are complimentary for participant's personal attendants. If this is not possible, OFCP will provide some personal care assistance upon request. See "Service Needs Requirements Form".)

**Payment:** Cheque \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Master Card \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Monday, OCTOBER 1st, 2018 Send registration and payment to: OFCP Membership Services Program #104 – 1630 Lawrence Ave. West, Toronto, Ontario, M6L 1C5 For questions, please call 416 244 9686 ext. 236 or Toll free 1-877-244-9686 ext. 236 Registrations will not be processed until payment is received. Once your registration has been processed, OFCP must be informed of any changes PRIOR to Monday, October 15, 2018. Please sign the attached General Liability Waiver and enclose it with your registration form.

# Service Needs Requirements Form:

OFCP provides personal care assistance if requested. Please note there will be no personal care assistance overnight provided by OFCP.

Please fill out this form IN FULL if you require personal care assistance during the OFCP Annual Conference: DAY \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING ALL PERSONAL CARE SUPPLIES INCLUDING BRIEFS, HOYER SLINGS, GLOVES, ETC.**

Please list any allergies and describe their severity (i.e., food, medication, airborne, vs. ingestion):

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## What assistance will you be requiring:

	Yes	No
Assistance to Eat	___	___
Washroom Assistance	___	___

**Should your meals be:** Pureed \_\_\_\_\_ Chopped \_\_\_\_\_ Diabetic \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require assistance at each meal? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you use a G-tube? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## Mobility

**What type of mobility device do you use?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**What is your preferred transfer method?**

Hoyer \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Person Transfer \_\_\_\_\_ Pivot \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you use an EPI pen?** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Please sign the attached “Authorization for Assistance with Personal Care” and “General Liability Waiver” and enclose them with your registration.**

# OFCP 71st Annual Conference General Liability Waiver

I \_\_\_\_\_, a participant at the Annual Conference of the Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy (“OFCP”), and in consideration for my participation in the OFCP Annual Conference, hereby release and forever discharge the OFCP, its officers, directors, employees, agents and vofunteers (hereinafter referred to as the “Releasees”) of and from all manner of claims, demands, actions, causes of action of every kind, losses, damages or injuries, however caused or contributed to, or arising out of my participation in the Annual Conference.

I further agree not to make any claims against any person or legal entity which may claim contribution or Indemnity from the Releasees or any of them, with respect to the claims released herein. I also do hereby agree to indemnify the Releasees for any liability, losses or damages, including all costs, expenses and lawyer fees expended to defend any such claims, sustained by them as a result of such actions or proceedings made by any person or entity to which the Releasee or any of them might be liable, directly or indirectly, arising from my participation in the Annual Conference.

I agree to the above terms and conditions, and I do hereby acknowledge that I have read and fully understand the above terms and conditions, and I understand this Waiver contains both a full release of all claims I may have against the Releasees, and an agreement to indemnify the OFCP.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: This waiver is required if you wish to attend the OFCP 71st Annual Conference**

# **OFCP 71st Annual Conference Authorization For the Assistance With Personal Care and General Liability Waiver**

I \_\_\_\_\_, a participant at the Annual Conference of the Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy (“OFCP”), and in consideration for my participation in the OFCP Annual Conference, hereby give permission to any personal service attendants that may be from time to time provided by the OFCP during the Annual Conference (the “Attendants”) to assist me with my medication(s), personal care and transfer as I may direct them.

I understand that the Attendants are working outside of my normal medical, personal care and transfer assistance parameters, and that I am solely responsible for my personal care and safety while a participant at the Annual Conference, and for any direction(s) that I may give to the Attendants for my personal care and safety.

I further understand that it is my sole responsibility to safely direct my medication procedure(s). I acknowledge that the attendants have no formal training in the use, administration or effect of medication, and that they are thereby limited in the assistance that they may be able to provide me. I agree that I am solely responsible for any direction I give to the Attendants for self-medication, and the effects of the same.

I do hereby release and forever discharge the OFCP, its officers, directors, employees, agents and volunteers (hereinafter referred to as the “Releasees”) of and from all manner of claims, demands, actions, causes of action of every kind, losses, damages or injuries, however caused or contributed to, or arising out of my participation in the Annual Conference, including without restricting the generality of the foregoing, all claims arising or in any way related to the Attendants; administration of medication or the failure to administer medication, or the personal care and transfer assistance provided by the Attendants.

I agree not to make any claims against any person or legal entity which may claim contribution or indemnity from the Releasees or any of them, with respect to the claims released herein. I also do hereby agree to indemnify the Releasees for any liability, losses or damages, including all costs, expenses and lawyer fees expended to defend any such claim, sustained by them as a result of such actions or proceedings made by any person or entity to which the Releasees or any of them might be liable, directly or indirectly, arising from my participation in the Annual Conference, including all claims arising or in any way related to the Attendants’ administration of medication or the failure to administer medication, or the personal care and transfer assistance provided by the attendants.

I agree to the above terms and conditions, and I do hereby acknowledge that I have read and fully understand the above terms and conditions, and I understand the Waiver contains a full release of all claims I may have against the Releasees and an agreement to indemnify the OFCP.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: This waiver is required if you wish to attend the OFCP 71st Annual Conference and use attendant services provided by the OFCP.**