

More Services Closer to Home for Kids and Families

- Network partners delivered additional rehab services to over 3,000 kids
- Over 50 Network partners provide a broad range of services - at home, at school and in the community. Partners include all 4 school boards, 7 hospitals and 41 rehabilitation providers and social and community service organizations
- In addition to the current specialty services for Feeding, Seating & Mobility, Orthotics and Joint Management, Botox Clinic, Developmental Assessment & Consultation, 4 new specialty services further reduced travel time for more families:
 - ◆ Neuromotor & Complex Needs Clinic - Over 100 children with complex physical disabilities no longer have to travel to Bloorview. Network paediatricians are collaborating with these children's community physicians to monitor their physical care
 - ◆ Child and Family Therapy - 2 new child and family therapists help providers and families develop strategies and supports to address challenges
 - ◆ Audiology Services - Access to an audiologist at the York Resource Centre reduces travel for over 100 kids
 - ◆ Neuropsychology Assessments & Consultation Services - A neuropsychologist (the only full time neuropsychologist for children in Simcoe & York) provides critically needed specialized support for kids with complex neurological challenges.
- 9 Local Team Sites and Resource Centres provide additional service and support hubs for parents and professionals in Barrie, Richmond Hill, Alliston, Midland, Georgina, Markham, Vaughan, Newmarket and Collingwood. In Orillia some services are being provided at the Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital Child Developmental Services site until funding is available to establish a local team site for Orillia
- Videoconferencing through Ontario Telemedicine Network allows families and professionals to meet remotely for individual assessments and professional development. It is available at 7 Local Team Sites in Barrie, Richmond Hill, Markham, Vaughan, Collingwood, Midland and Georgina
- Francophone Team supports Francophone families. Interpreter Services available for families with other language requirements
- Additional inclusive recreation opportunities included Teen Independence Weekend Retreats and Skill Building Clinics in Simcoe schools. Over 900 local kids experienced the joy of recreation activities and camps
- A wide range of Information Sessions hosted at Local Team Sites provided families with more knowledge and access to opportunities, including:
 - ◆ Financial Planning Seminars for Parents/Caregivers
 - ◆ Adaptive Bikes & Trikes Demonstrations and Test Drives
 - ◆ Inclusive Camp Information Fairs



Transitioning to a Single Plan of Care

Last year, Network partners increased use of the new single plan of care tools and processes, including a shared electronic record and privacy policy that allow professionals from multiple organizations to collaborate, share clinical notes securely and monitor a child's progress. Network partners will continue to refine the new single plan of care system through their practice. Families and professionals are being equipped with more capability to work interprofessionally, as equal partners of a team focused on providing best outcomes for each child:

- ◆ Over 600 professionals trained on single plan of care processes and authorized to access the shared electronic record
- ◆ Electronic records established for 2,550 children
- ◆ Over 250 professionals and families explored and learned about interprofessional practice during working sessions and a seminar with international experts
- ◆ 4 pilot projects launched to examine how to align and consolidate the single plan of care processes with school boards, early intervention planning, and developmental services intake and assessment processes

Continuing to Improve the System

Given the economic situation, there is significant pressure on all services sectors to constrain costs. Network partners worked through significant cost containment imperatives with one goal in mind: to reduce the impact on services to kids and families as much as possible. By carefully assessing impacts of cuts and exploring creative ways to use existing resources more effectively, the Network continued to improve the system and drive more coordinated, integrated care in the community.



- Training and professional development expanded service capacity and capabilities:
 - ◆ Over 100 service coordinators were trained on implementing single plan of care processes, further enhancing service coordination throughout the Network
 - ◆ More than 450 therapists, teachers, educational assistants and parents participated in 55 Augmentative Communications training sessions to expand a child's ability to communicate and participate fully.
 - ◆ 65 physiotherapists and occupational therapists increased their ability to support kids needing Seating and Mobility and Orthotics services. Over 25 professionals are now authorized to prescribe assistive mobility devices
 - ◆ 110 speech language pathologists, occupational therapists and dieticians received training to better support children's abilities to feed both at home and in school
- Adopted a common measure of physical functioning (Growth Motor Functional Classification System) to enable planning for the development of shared assessment and treatment practices across the Network
- Increased collaboration and information sharing amongst providers by refining SharePoint - the Network's online knowledge centre and intranet - and launching Frontline Focus, a monthly bulletin for professionals. 800 professionals now use SharePoint on a day-to-day basis
- Used input from over 300 families, front line providers/clinical managers, physicians, youth with complex needs and leaders of Network partners and other children's treatment centres to identify the Network's priorities and future direction
- The research study by McMaster University to evaluate the impact of the new Network model is starting to provide evidence that integrated care improves outcomes for kids. Research findings will be released to the government and the public later in 2010
- SickKids Foundation publicly endorsed the Network's single plan of care system with the 2008 Rotman Award. The Network was the first organization in Ontario to receive the prestigious award for innovation in paediatric home and community care

Network Partners

Over 50 school boards, hospitals, rehabilitation providers, social and community service organizations serving kids with special needs:

1-1 Rehab	North Simcoe Muskoka Community Care Access Centre
Able Sail	Ontario Early Years Centre - Simcoe North
Achimota Centre for Children with Autism	Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital
Blue Hills Child and Family Services	Outdoor Education Centre & King Day Camp (Seneca College)
Brain Injury Services, Muskoka Simcoe	Penetanguishene General Hospital
Catulpa Community Support Services	Regional Municipality of York
Central Community Care Access Centre	Royal Victoria Hospital
Children's Case Coordination of York Region	Safehaven Project for Community Living
C.H.I.L.D. Children's Intervention Learning and Development Treatment Centre	Simcoe Community Services
Childsplay	Simcoe County District School Board
Closing the Gap Healthcare Group	Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board
Comcare Health Services	Social Services Network (York Region)
Community Living Association for South Simcoe	Southlake Regional Health Centre
Community Living Huronia	Spark Learning Centre
Creative Sounds Music Therapy	The Speech Clinic
E3 Community Services Inc	VHA Rehab Solutions
Grieving Children at Season's Centre	York Catholic District School Board
Health in Motion Rehabilitation	York Central Hospital
Helping Hands for FASD	York Paediatric Therapy Services Inc.
Huron District Hospital	York Region Branch of Jewish Family & Child Services
Kerry's Place Autism Services	York Region Family Services
Kinark Child and Family Services	York Region District School Board
La Clé d'La Baie	York Support Services Network
Learning Disabilities Association of Simcoe County	YMCA of Simcoe Muskoka
Markham Stouffville Hospital	Zareinu Education Centre
Motion Specialties	
New Path Youth and Family Services	

Provincial Partners

Bloorview Kids Rehab	Ontario Association for Families of Children with Communication Disorders (OAFCCD)
Canadian National Institute for the Blind	Ontario Telemedicine Network (OTN)
Canadian Hearing Society	Parents as Partners
CanChild Centre for Childhood Disability Research (McMaster University)	
Child Health Network	
eHealth Ontario	
Expressive Communication Help Organization (ECHO)	
Geneva Centre for Autism	
Hospital for Sick Children	
Ministry of Children and Youth Services	
Ministry of Community and Social Services	
Ministry of Education	
Ministry of Health and Long Term Care	
Ontario Association of Children's Rehabilitation Services (OACRS)	



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