



February 29, 2017

To: Community Partners

Re: Agency Amalgamation Announcement

We are excited to share the news that effective April 1, 2017 Community Living Peterborough and Community Living Central Highlands will formally amalgamate and create a new corporation called Community Living Trent Highlands. Both Agencies have had a long history of excellence in supporting individuals with disabilities in their communities. This will not change. The new Agency, Community Living Trent Highlands will be governed by a combined Board that is equally committed to preserving quality and expanding services across the region. In the near future, the Board will be announcing a CEO for the new organization.

Our decision to amalgamate was based on our shared values and a belief that together we will be stronger and better able to secure the future for our families and communities we serve. By combining our staff expertise we will be able to offer a richer service continuum and increased capacity to support more individuals with complex needs.

All of our services will continue to be offered in their existing locations. Over time, as new funding becomes available and we identify operational efficiencies, we look forward to more opportunities for innovation, and providing more choice for our families.

We believe as a larger agency we have the potential to offer more flexible services, greater consistency, and more equitable access across our communities.

Our transition work will continue over the spring and we will begin meeting with our communities to identify service needs and opportunities to strengthen partnerships. We will continue to be a strong voice at our planning tables and with government as we advocate on behalf of individuals and their families. Further information about Community Living Trent Highlands will be shared as we move through the transition process.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Teresa Jordan, Executive Director CLCH or Vince Tedesco, Executive Director (interim), CLP.

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