



FOCUS GROUP PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

The Ministry of Community and Social Services is holding focus groups with individuals and families that take part in ministry-funded services and supports.

We want to better understand what things in life you would like developmental services to help you or your family member achieve.

Individuals and families who receive/take part in developmental services and supports are invited to participate in a focus group. Your feedback will have no impact on your services, and will be confidential and voluntary. Your individual responses or information will not be published.

The ministry values feedback from individuals and their families on their experiences and we recognize that ongoing engagement is key to making meaningful improvements to the developmental services system.

In mid-July focus groups will be held in:

- London
- Ottawa
- Toronto
- Thunder Bay
- Video-conference for people living in *remote* and *isolated* areas

For specific dates and times of each focus group, please refer to the online registration form.

If you're interested and you live within 100 kilometres of any of these locations, **please reply** to the ministry **before Sunday July 3rd** by completing an **online registration form** using this URL/link: http://fluidsurveys.com/s/DS_focusgroup_registration

Or you can call Darren Cyr in MCSS' Policy Research and Analysis Branch (PRAB) at 416-314-4640.

We will send you the address and details when we follow-up to confirm your participation. Each focus group will last 1.5 - 2 hours. These focus groups are voluntary and will not affect the supports that individuals are currently receiving.

In appreciation for your time, you will receive a light meal, and we will cover transportation costs (e.g., public transit, taxi, mileage) and other eligible expenses (e.g., parking, personal support worker if needed) (receipts required).

Should you have any questions about these focus groups please contact Darren Cyr at the ministry at 416-314-4640 or email REU@ontario.ca