



# YSSN BULLETIN

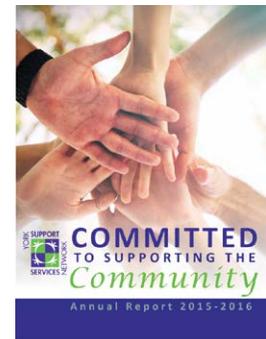
IMPORTANT NEWS AND INFORMATION

Welcome to our newly re-designed *YSSN Bulletin*! This quarterly edition will help you stay abreast of important mental health and developmental services news and information and upcoming events and information sessions taking place at *YSSN* and within the local community.

## *Committed to Supporting You*

For the last 34 years, *York Support Services Network (YSSN)*, has been successful at helping individuals dealing with a developmental disability, those living with a mental illness and/or addiction or dual diagnosis, as well as children with complex needs, sort through a confusing and overwhelming world.

Working alongside our community partners, this past year, **we directly supported 14,750 individuals**, providing them with case management services, crisis response, and access to information and services to assist them in finding the resources they need to help them live a meaningful life.



We are very proud of our prior year's successes and would like to share them with you through our [\*Committed to Supporting the Community: 2015-2016 Annual Report\*](#).

Read our Annual Report

### **Appreciation Awards Presented at YSSN 's AGM**

Every year we acknowledge the commitment and efforts of our community members, board of directors and clients at our Annual General Meeting (AGM). This year we recognized the efforts of thirteen award recipients and the difference they have made within the community.



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### **YSSN's Jean West on the Honour Roll for the Minister's Medal!**

Our very own, Jean West, Director of Mental Health, was acknowledged for her leadership in



## Minister's Medal Honouring Excellence in Health Quality and Safety

*Individual Champion Honour Roll*

**Jean West**

the mental health sector by being placed on the Honour Roll for the *Minister's Medal Honouring Excellence in Health Quality and Safety* awarded by the *Minister of Health and Long-Term Care*.

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## The Power of Peers Event a Success

The 8th annual Mental Health Awareness Week Event, *The Power of Peers*, which took place on October 5, 2016, in partnership with LOFT/Crosslinks Housing and Support Services, Canadian Mental Health Association for York Region and South Simcoe, (CMHA), Addiction Services of York Region (ASYR) and the Krasman Centre was a great success.

Over 100 individuals celebrated their recovery successes, shared their knowledge and helped raise awareness for Mental Health.

Thank you to everyone who donated items, including Upper Canada Mall, Genpak, and to the organizing committee members who plan and run the event together every year.



Images (top to bottom): Participants enjoying a light lunch at *The Power of Peers* event; Singer entertaining the group.

## Upcoming YSSN and Community Events and Information Sessions

We host numerous developmental services and mental health events and information sessions throughout the year. Visit our [Events](#) page for a listing of upcoming sessions and local community events.

[Fall Events and Sessions](#)

## Information Sessions

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## Careers

### Looking for a career in Human Services?

Visit our [website](#), like us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#) to learn about new career opportunities



available at YSSN.

**We are currently looking for a Crisis Response Worker to join our Mental Health Crisis Team-- Apply by November 8, 2016.**

[Learn more](#)

## DSO CER Fall Bulletin is Out

The Developmental Services Ontario Central East Region (DSO CER) News Bulletin, Fall edition is now available. Get updates on provincial and local DSO activity.

[Read more](#)



# Want to Increase your Workplace/Interpersonal Effectiveness?

**Join us at a *Coaching Out of the Box®* workshop and learn how to apply the 'Art of Coaching' to your personal and professional life.**

Participants will be introduced to our "5/5/5" framework model, which includes: **5 Core Coaching Skills**, a **5-Step Coaching Exchange Process** and **5 Guiding Principles** that support effective coaching conversations.

**Ideal for:**

Leaders, board members, supervisors, front-line staff and volunteers.

**Workshop Dates and Times:** January 20 and 27, 2017 and February 3 and 10, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to noon (4, half-day sessions).

**Location:** York Support Services Network, 240 Edward Street, Unit 3, Aurora

**Workshop Instructors:** Jean West, Certified Executive Coach, PCC; David Graham, Certified Executive Coach, PCC.

**Cost: Introductory Special for Non-Profit Organizations \$425.00** (fees cover cost of materials only).

To register, please contact Nell Van den Elzen at 905.898.6455 ext. 2389 or via email at [nvandenelzen@yssn.ca](mailto:nvandenelzen@yssn.ca).

**Send us Your Feedback**

We are always looking for suggestions to improve the information we share. Please submit any story ideas, community events, or other news that pertains to mental health and developmental services to Cathy Lepiane via email at [clepiane@yssn.ca](mailto:clepiane@yssn.ca) for inclusion in future editions.

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