

Persons with Developmental Disabilities Program

PDD PROGRAM VISION:

An Alberta that honours and respects the dignity and equal worth of persons with developmental disabilities.

PDD PROGRAM MISSION:

The PDD program works with others to support adults with developmental disabilities to be included in the community and to be as independent as possible.

SIX PRIORITY ACTIONS:

- Implement an eligibility regulation
- Define mission and core businesses
- Develop a common assessment process to determine individual support needs and related funding
- Increase flexibility for families to manage supports
- Improve support for people with complex needs
- Increase effectiveness and efficiency of the program

PDD Community Boards will work with individuals and their families, service provider agencies and other stakeholders to implement the Priority Actions.



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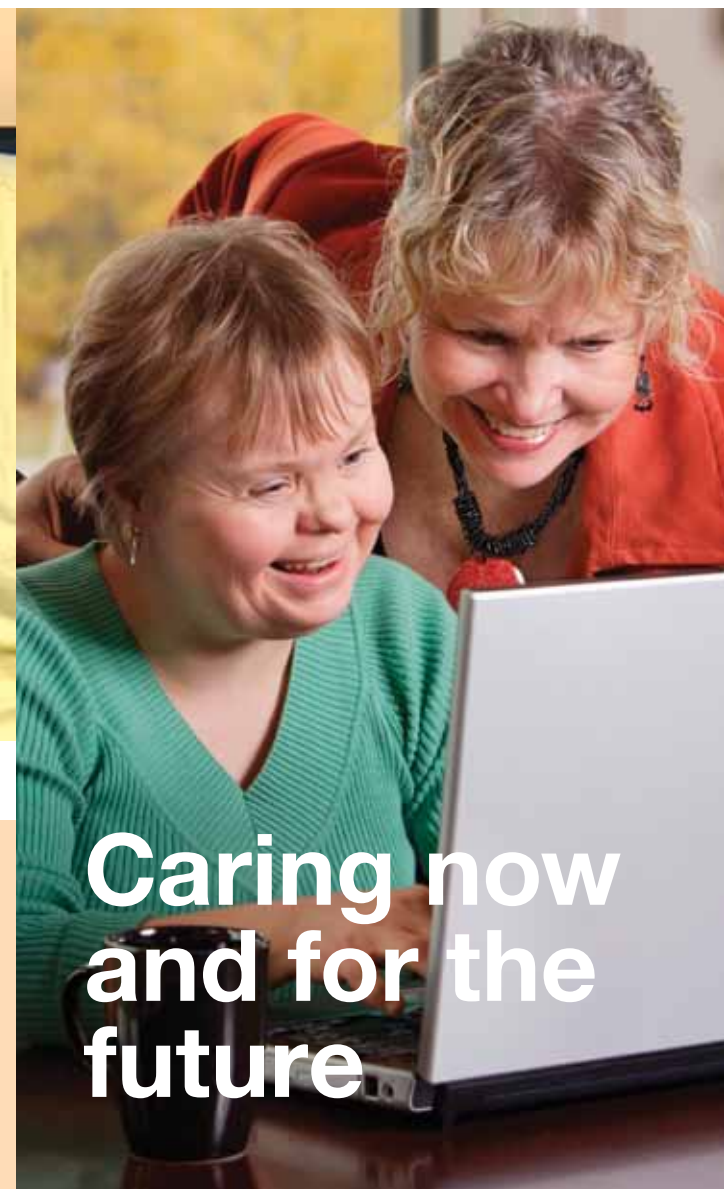
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Alberta Seniors and Community Supports helps about 9,200 adult Albertans with developmental disabilities to be included in community life and to be as independent as possible. The support is provided through the Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PDD) program, and is delivered through six Community Boards.

PRIORITY ACTIONS

Six Priority Actions have been identified to make the PDD program more effective and efficient in supporting Albertans with developmental disabilities. The Priority Actions will help the program be more responsive to individual needs and focus on achieving positive outcomes for the people it supports. The changes to the program are focused on five goals:

CLARITY

An updated mission and core businesses will ensure the mandate of the PDD program is clear and will define the services provided by the program.

CONSISTENCY

The new eligibility regulation describes “significant limitation” as it relates to assessing eligibility for supports from the PDD program. Effective August 2009, the regulation makes the decision making process more clear and transparent, and more consistent across the province.

Once an individual's eligibility for the PDD program is confirmed, a consistent method to assess support needs will be used. The process, which includes looking at the supports that can be provided by others, such as family, friends and community, will ensure PDD supports are responsive to individual needs.

EFFECTIVENESS

Families will continue to be supported, including those who want to direct and manage supports for their family member with a developmental disability. Increased flexibility in the program will make this option easier for them.

The program will also work with government and community partners to better coordinate services for Albertans with complex needs, such as those with a developmental disability who also have a mental illness or serious medical condition.

EFFICIENCY

The program is reviewing how to increase efficiency among and between Community Boards. PDD Community Boards will also work with community agencies to improve the efficiency of service delivery. This will maximize the funding available to directly support Albertans with developmental disabilities.

SUSTAINABILITY

With about 9,200 Albertans currently being supported by PDD, the program is an important part of many people's lives. The Priority Actions will help increase the sustainability of the PDD program to ensure it will be available to support Albertans with developmental disabilities in the coming years.

Albertans with developmental disabilities want to live, work and participate as full, active members of their communities.