

# Welcome to **Autism**MONTARIO

## Who We Are

A charitable organization founded in 1973. We have a history of over 50 years supporting, representing, and advocating for all autistic individuals across the province regardless of race, ethnicity, income, religion, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

## What We Do

We provide information on autism, support autism research, and implement programs and services for the autism community to address the issues that affect Ontarians with autism, their families, and their caregivers. The work we do helps all autistic individuals and families in their communities have access to meaningful supports, information, and connections so they are equitably and seamlessly supported across their life course.



We are guided by a Board of Directors with 10 diverse members - people on the autism spectrum, parents, caregivers, siblings of autistic people, and professionals.



We are Ontario's #1 source of information and referral on autism and one of the largest collective voices representing the autism community.



7 regions supporting people on the autism spectrum and their families across the province.



## Our Vision

Best Life, Better World, Making Autism Matter!

## Our Mission

Creating a supportive and inclusive Ontario for autism.

Advocacy into  
action

Services and  
Supports Across  
the Lifecourse

Organizational  
Health



### ENDS Level 1:

Because Autism Ontario exists: Individuals and families in their communities are equitably and seamlessly supported across the life course.

### ENDS Level 2.1:

Individuals, families and communities have meaningful supports, information and connections.

### ENDS Level 2.2:

Information/knowledge is created, curated and mobilized that is trustworthy, timely and relevant.

## Services We Offer

- Community events
- CommunityConnect Portal
- OAP Provider List
- Provincial newsletter
- Regional newsletters
- Adult programs
- Caregiver support groups
- French Language Services
- Regional supports
- Learning and positive advocacy resources
- Webinars and workshops
- Child and family supports
- March Break funding
- Summer support funding

## Our CARE Values

### COLLABORATION

We believe in the power of working side by side with individuals, families, and communities to make informed choices about autism.

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### ACCOUNTABILITY

We hold ourselves and others responsible for achieving successful outcomes through high standards of integrity and fiscal responsibility.

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### RESPECT

We value equity, diversity, and inclusion, and we listen to understand.

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### EVIDENCE-INFORMED

We use and create knowledge to guide our decisions and work.

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