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MEMORANDUM

To: Employment Ontario Delivery Partners

From: Ken Nakahara and David Carter-Whitney,
Assistant Deputy Ministers,
Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development

Date: October 28, 2020

Subject: Reference Group on Employment Services for People
with Disabilities

Dear Employment Ontario partners:

To support the [ongoing transformation of employment services](#), the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is establishing a reference group to focus on addressing the unique needs of people with disabilities during the prototype phase of the transformation of employment services.

Invited members will discuss issues related to specialized services and supports and core employment services to support people with disabilities. Membership will include organizations with expertise in providing supports to people with disabilities, subject matter experts from relevant Ontario ministries, and service system managers in the prototype catchment areas. Feedback and best practices from the reference group will support the province-wide rollout of the new employment services model, which is planned to take place over the next few years.

Working collaboratively with our delivery partners is integral to the ministry's goal of modernizing our employment and training system. As such, we will continue to seek opportunities to work with the Employment Ontario network.

Thank you for your ongoing support of clients across the province. If you have any questions regarding the reference group, please contact the ministry at ESTransformation@Ontario.ca

Sincerely,

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