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# 2019 Highlights



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Kids Rehabilitation Hospital



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FAMILY FOUNDATION

**SickKids**

THE HOSPITAL FOR  
SICK CHILDREN



**Catulpa**  
COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES  
SERVICE DE SUPPORT COMMUNAUTAIRE

**Ontario**

**Brock**  
University  
Applied Disability Studies

**Hands**

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**Mains**

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**Mackenzie  
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Cundill Centre for Child  
and Youth Depression

**Kerry's Place**  
Autism Services  
Services en autisme

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CATHOLIC  
SCHOOL BOARD**



**YORK  
UNIVERSITY**



**Children at Risk**

**BEHAVIOURAL  
SUPPORTS ONTARIO**

**COMMUNITY LIVING**  
York South

Inspiring Possibilities

**Seneca**

**COMMUNITY LIVING**  
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CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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Giving Hope Today

Advancing autism care through meaningful research

**MacART** | McMaster Autism  
Research Team



**Child Development  
Programs**  
TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW  
Administered by York Region District School Board

**CANADIAN ADAPTIVE SNOWSPORTS  
SPORTS DE GLISSE ADAPTÉS CANADA**

**DVSA**  
DUNDAS VALLEY SCHOOL OF ART

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haven**

**York  
Region**  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



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# FSCG 2019 Overview

Programs	Collaborating Organizations	Funded Amount
CADS E-Learning	Canadian Adaptive Snowsports University of Quebec a Chicoutimi	\$35,000
Modernization of Behavioural Therapeutic Services to Support Underrepresented Populations	HANDS TheFamilyHelpNetwork.ca, Fort Albany First Nations, Peetabeck Health Services Fort Albany First Nations, Peetabeck Academy	\$40,000
ASD and ARFID Feeding Hub: An Integrated Approach to Improving Health	Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital Hospital for Sick Children	\$39,720
Supporting Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with Coding and Robotics Programming	Saskatchewan Abilities Council Saskatoon Industry Education Council	\$34,787

Programs	Collaborating Organizations	Funded Amount
Empowering Caregivers: Innovative training that builds capacity for caregivers of ASD seniors	Seneca Mackenzie Health - Centre for Behaviour Health Sciences Autism and Behaviour Sciences Behavioural Supports Ontario (BSO)	\$39,900
Developing a Practical Resource about Mental Health for Transition Age Youth with Autism	Centre for Addiction and Mental Health The Hospital for Sick Children Surrey Place Centre Autism Ontario	\$39,945
Imagination for Autism: Community Art Hub	The Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton Wilfred Laurier University Dundas Valley School of Art (DVSA) Airborne Video Productions Mohawk College	\$33,750
Camp Kaleidoscope Summer Day Respite Camp – Leadership Camp	Children at Risk, Ottawa Ottawa Catholic School Board (OCSB) Provincial Ontario Ministry of Education	\$25,000

Programs	Collaborating Organizations	Funded Amount
Transitioning Together in Ontario	The York ASD, Community Living York South Kerry's Place Autism Services York Support Services Network Mackenzie Health Centre for Behavioural Health Sciences EIS York; Autism Ontario York; Catulpa; Reena; York Catholic District School Board, York Region District School Board, York University Faculty of Health; Seneca College; York Hills; Kinark Children & Youth; Christian Horizons; MS Hospital; CLCY. Brock University, Community Living Georgia, Safe Haven, York Region, Child Development Programs, Aptus Treatment Centre for Complex Disabilities	\$35,000
Mobile Developmental Outreach Clinic (M-DOC)	SAAAC Autism Centre The McMaster Autism Research Team (MacART) Pivotal Autism Community Services (PACS) CITYKIDS EarlyON Child and Family Centre	\$40,000
Best Practices for Employing Autistic Adults: Building Canada's Inclusive Workforce	The Sinneave Family Foundation Adults with ASD Stakeholder's Group in Prince George (Adult Autism SG)	\$40,000



# CADS E-Learning

*Canadian Adaptive Snowsports*



Quebec



CADS programs across Canada empowers thousands of people living with diverse abilities to enjoy the freedom of snowsports in a fun, respectful and inclusive way.

The new CADS Countdown eTraining module developed with the support of Autism Speaks Canada funding will help prepare instructors, volunteers, family members, friends and caregivers to lead students from getting ready at home to getting out on snow. It incorporates fundamental concepts of working with people with neurodiverse learning needs and provides practical strategies and tools for everyone.



# Modernization of Behavioural Therapeutic Services to Support Underrepresented Populations



*HANDS TheFamilyHelpNetwork.ca*



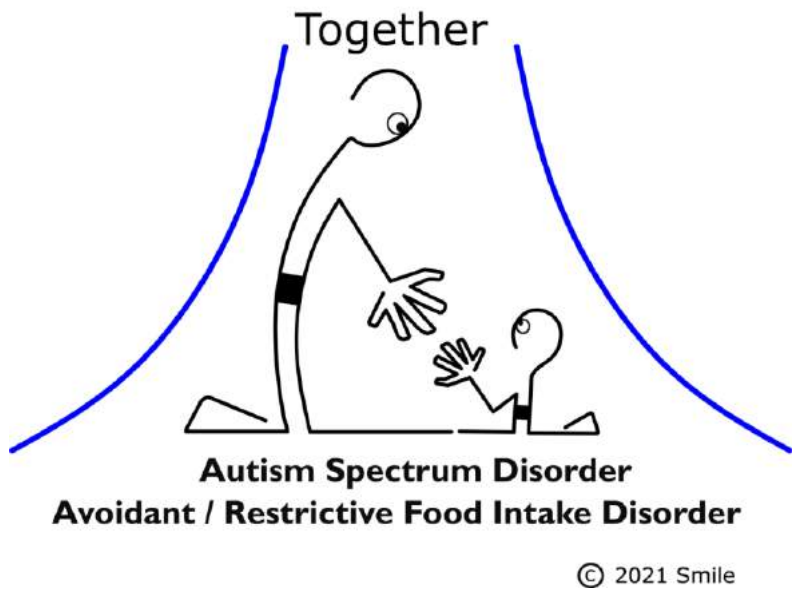
Building technology-based solutions that aim to reduce barriers and allow children, youth, and families in Northern remote regions to have greater access to sources of autism therapy. This includes reaching out to other underserved indigenous communities and populations.

HANDS will provide a focused early intervention program that incorporates play-based therapy and caregiver coaching to build the capacity of the family and community.



# ASD and ARFID Feeding Hub: An Integrated Approach to Improving Health

*Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital*



Avoidant-Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID) is a persistent feeding or eating disturbance manifested by avoidance of food or restrictive food intake resulting in significant weight loss, nutritional deficiency, dependence on tube feeding or nutritional supplements, and/or impairment in psychosocial functioning.

This project aims to develop a comprehensive interdisciplinary assessment model and management plans reflecting evidence-based treatment. Experts will join together to eliminate clinical silos and support community-based, family-centered healthcare for this complex population.

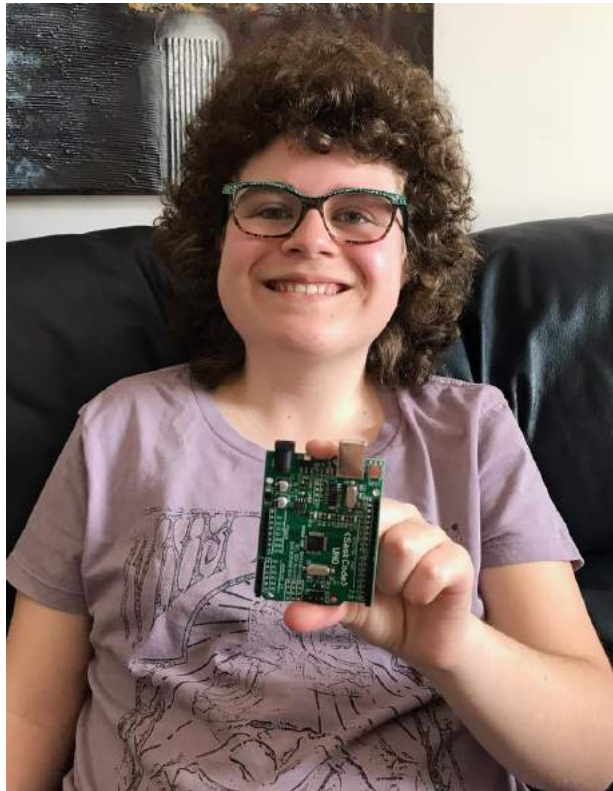


# Supporting Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with Coding and Robotics Programming



Saskatchewan

*SaskAbilities Council*



SaskAbilities Council focuses on coding & robotics programming, providing “hands on” opportunities to develop IT skills as well as connection to industry & post-secondary education. Students will take part in the robotics & coding workshops offered by the SIEC to provide relevant skills.

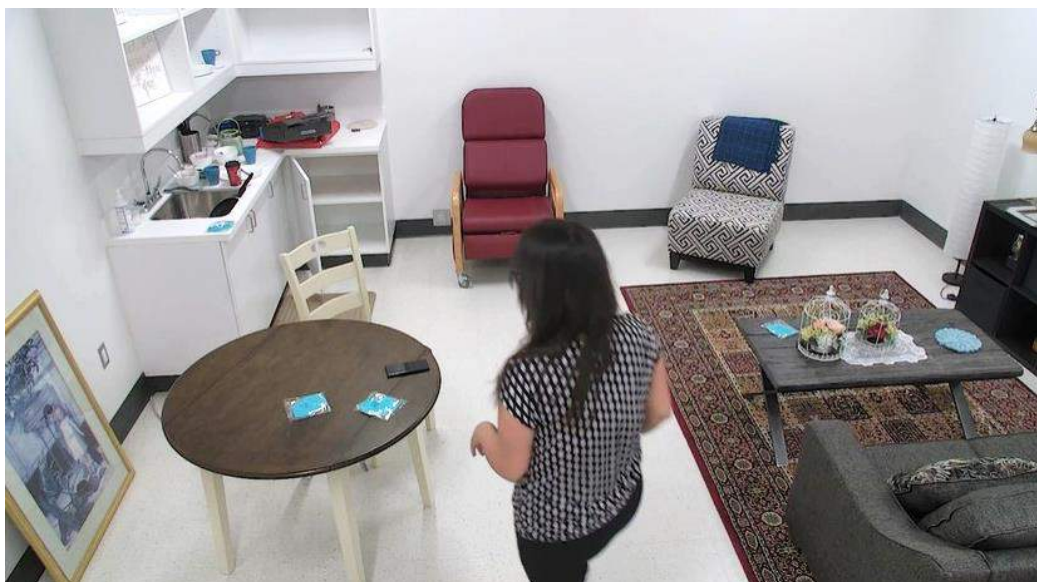


# Empowering Caregivers: Innovative training that builds capacity for caregivers of ASD seniors



Ontario

*Seneca*



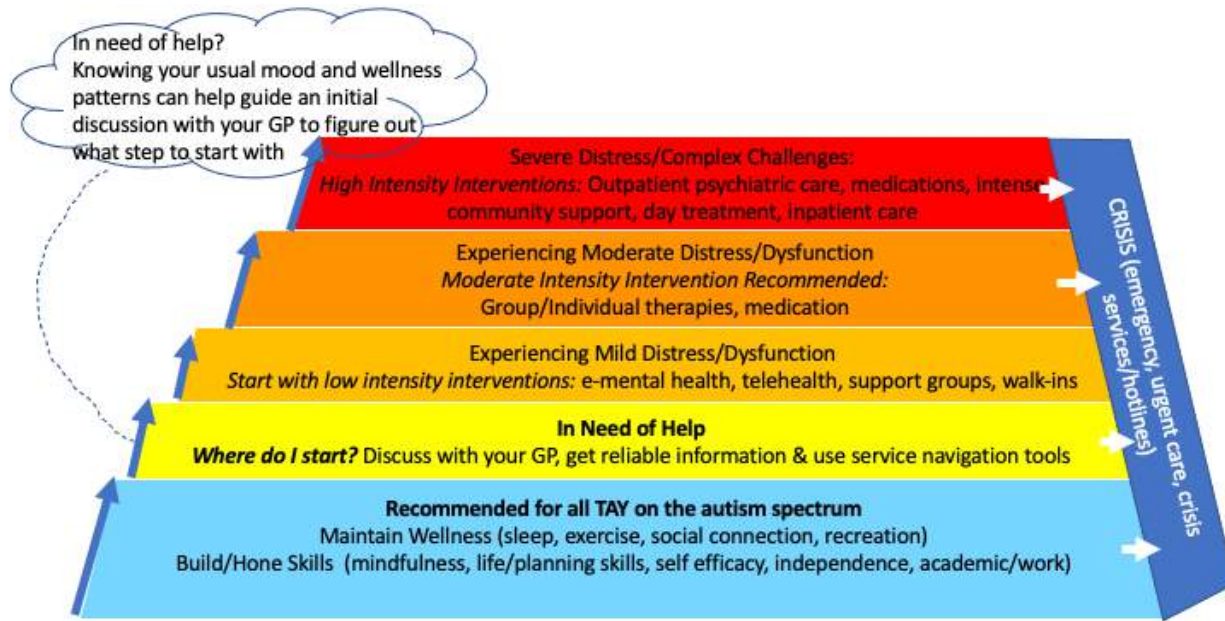
Seneca offers training that will educate students and care providers at long-term care (LTC) homes on how to improve the quality of life for autistic seniors. This will be developed into a manual that will become a resource for other caregivers. The curriculum will be imbedded in care-related health and wellness programs at Seneca. Workshops will be provided for colleagues and community organizations.

**Seneca**



# Developing a Practical Resource about Mental Health for Autistic Transition Age Youth

*The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health*



CAMH is launching a transition-age youth (TAY) autism and mental health clinic (servicing clients **16-25 years of age**).

The aim of the clinic is to provide a standardized youth friendly approach to mental health care for autistic TAY.

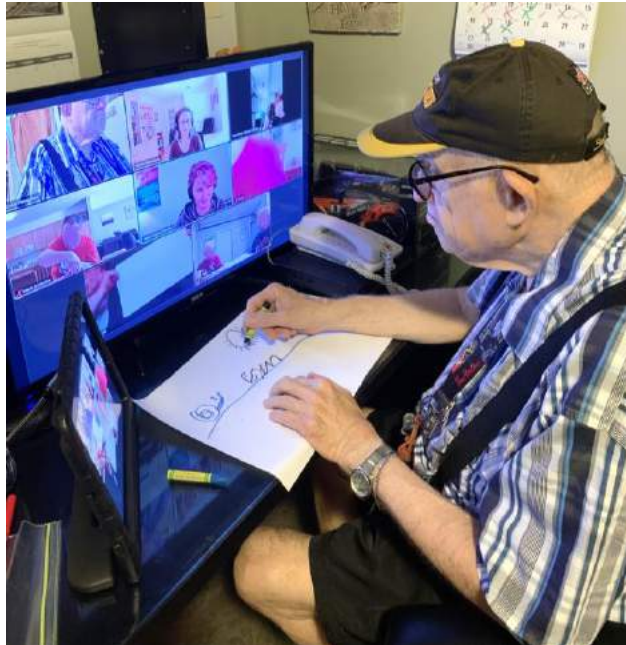
The current project aims to develop a psychoeducational resource to help TAY with autism and mental health concerns and their families better understand commonly co-occurring mental health conditions, and navigate the transitional period.

Partners will work with parent and youth advisers to build an online psychoeducational resource that can be shared with clients at CAMH and the autistic communities broadly.



# Imagination for Autism: Community Art Hub

*The Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton*



The Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton will develop and implement digital art-based technologies programming for autistic adults who are impacted by anxiety, depression and experience attention issues. The community art hub aims to expand cognitive, creative, imaginative, physical, and social capabilities for participants.



Giving Hope Today



# Camp Kaleidoscope Summer Day Respite Camp – Leadership Camp



*Children at Risk, Ottawa*



Children at Risk's objective is to provide a respite summer day camp for children with ASD which will accommodate challenges of autism yet allow the camper to have stimulation, excitement and fun that summer camp is renowned for and a right of any child regardless of their disability.

A pilot Leadership Program for autistic teens allows participants to develop leadership skills within a camp model and provides ASD training for neurotypical youth in staff positions to promote understanding and inclusion.





# Transitioning Together in Ontario

*York ASD Partnership*



**Ontario**



The Transitioning Together training program for youth and adults with ASD and their families originates from the University of Wisconsin.

York ASD partners from Kerry's Place Autism Services, Mackenzie Health Centre for Behaviour Health Sciences, Community Living York South and York Support Services Network have been trained by the University of Wisconsin and have worked collaboratively to adapt the program curriculum and deliver the program to families across York Region using virtual technology.

These organizations have committed to delivering the Transitioning Together program as a new service option for people with ASD and their families going forward.



# Mobile Developmental Outreach Clinic (M-DOC)

*SAAAC Autism Centre*



Ontario



The M-DOC is a model for early detection and diagnosis of ASD that is responsive to the needs of culturally diverse communities, and its mobility allows our team to deliver point of care service to under-resourced communities across Toronto.

SAAAC will implement a mobile developmental screening model in low-income, racially diverse urban populations.

The clinic will provide free developmental assessments and help put families on a path to diagnosis and early intervention.



# Best Practices for Employing Autistic Adults: Building Canada's Inclusive Workforce



Alberta/British Columbia



Success in the Workplace Employer Toolkit: Strategies from Autistic Employees is an online inclusive employment resource. The toolkit offers employers resources and 16 user-friendly tools to meet the needs of autistic employees throughout the employee life cycle.

The toolkit was written by an autistic author and resources are based on extensive engagement with autistic employees, and a range of employers and human resources professionals across Canada. The toolkit is organized by phases of the employee life-cycle.

Find the toolkit at [worktopia.ca/toolkit](http://worktopia.ca/toolkit)



Adults with ASD Stakeholder's Group in Prince George (Adult Autism SG)