

Ontario Health Coalition

ACTION ALERT



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Ontario Health Care PLEDGE

The health care pledge is a democratic forum to identify and raise the issues that Ontarians care about leading into the provincial election on October 6th

1.

Make Your Voice Heard

Throughout the month of June, go to www.votehealthontario.ca and give your input. What are your key issues and concerns regarding health care in Ontario? Your issues will show up on the site as you input them. You can see what others are raising....and so can Ontario's political candidates.

2.

Vote On It

Once we have your key issues, we will group them into categories (egs. cancelled surgery, on wait list for home care). In July and August we will invite Ontarians to vote for your priorities. The results will be tallied and your priorities will become an election pledge.

3.

Take The Pledge

In late August/early September take the pledge to help make your priorities the key health care election issues. You will be able to see how many people in your riding have taken the pledge. If thousands of Ontarians join in, we can make a difference this election.

Make this election matter for Ontarians. Take the Pledge at www.votehealthontario.ca

RALLY *to safeguard* *Public Health Care*

for people, not for profit



Tuesday
September 13
Queen's Park
Toronto
12 o'clock noon

- ✓ Full-service local hospitals safe from fear of service cuts, closed ERs and rural hospital closures
- ✓ A right to access comprehensive chronic care whether a patient is in hospital, a nursing home or home care
- ✓ Action to address severe front-line staffing shortages
- ✓ Improvements and new capacity built in public and non-profit agencies and institutions

IN THE PROVINCIAL ELECTION THIS OCTOBER

WE NEED CLEAR COMMITMENTS TO SAFEGUARD LOCAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES & IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE

In polls, health care ranks at the top of the public's agenda. Every political party will promise to fund and improve health care. But lip-service is not enough. Ontarians need clear commitments on the issues that matter to us.



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HEALTH ACTION ASSEMBLY

and Annual Conference

Strategy-setting and information-sharing meeting. Members and supporters from across Ontario will gather to set the action plan for 2011/12. The annual assembly will include post-election analysis, report-ins from affiliated groups across Ontario, analysis of the major issues and strategy discussion.

Saturday, November 19
10 am – 4 pm

Sunday, November 20
9:30 am – 1:30 pm

Sheraton Centre, Toronto

123 Queen St. W.

We will provide further information including discounted hotel rates and hotel contact information in August. Registration form is below.

High Level Briefing & Summit

Monday June 20

Lillian H. Smith Public Library

239 College St. Toronto

9 am – 10 am Registration

3 pm -- Adjournment

Retirement Homes & Alternate Level of Care

WHO is in Ontario's Alternate Level of Care hospital beds?
WHAT care is available for patients with chronic/long term care needs?
WHAT is the state of wait lists for chronic/long term care?
WHERE do retirement homes fit in to this picture?
WHAT do new retirement homes legislation and regulations require?
IS it legal to charge patients for their hospital beds?
HOW can we best protect the comprehensiveness and accessibility of Ontario's health care system for those with chronic care needs?

Registration Form

Please mail or email your registration to the Ontario Health Coalition at 15 Gervais Drive, Suite 305, Toronto, Ontario M3C 1Y8
tel: 416-441-2502 email: ohc@sympatico.ca (this form is accessible online at www.ontariohealthcoalition.ca)

Name _____ Email _____ Number of people attending _____

Organization _____ Additional Names _____

Street Address _____ City/Town _____ Postal Code _____

Tel (day) _____ Tel (evening) _____

Which event(s) are you registering for (check mark):

High Level Briefing and Summit June 20 Assembly November 12 Conference November 13

High Level Briefing and Summit June 20 Fee 0 - \$10 sliding scale: _____ # of people attending x \$ _____ fee = \$ _____

Assembly/Conference Registration Fee \$0 - \$35 per day sliding scale: _____ # of people attending x \$ _____ fee = \$ _____

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