

Ontario Health Coalition

Health Action Assembly & Annual Conference

Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor Street, Toronto

Saturday October 1st & Sunday October 2nd

10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The fact that Doug Ford has won another majority government in Ontario presents daunting challenges for the defenders of Public Medicare. However, along with our challenges we also have opportunities. Significant funding has flowed to health care, the federal government is considering increasing funding -- possibly with strings attached -- which would be positive, and health care is very much in the public eye. Nevertheless, from hospitals to long-term care to home care we are in crisis.

Now, more than ever, we need fearless, strong, ambitious action and strategy to stop privatization, force Ford to address the health care staffing crisis and make good on his promises to improve long-term care. Each year, we invite everyone who believes in Public Medicare and wants to work to defend and improve it to join together in a major strategy session. This year's assembly is critically important. Join us for briefings, speakers, report-ins and strategizing.

Hotel Rooms: We have reserved a block of hotel rooms at a reduced rate at the Courtyard by Marriott Downtown Toronto at 475 Yonge Street. The rate is at \$259 per night plus tax. To book your room, please click the link to book online at the discounted rate when it becomes available or call 1 (800) 847-5075 and cite Ontario Health Coalition as the group name to receive the reduced rate. Please book as soon as possible, as space is limited and the deadline to book your hotel room at the discounted rate is **Friday September 2.**

Local Coalitions: are asked to please seek local funding first to subsidize your travel costs. If you need a subsidy from the Ontario Health Coalition, we will fund up to two representatives from each active local health coalition including hotel and travel costs. All subsidies must be pre-approved by Natalie Mehra, executive director. Each local coalition seeking to have representatives subsidized by the Ontario Health Coalition must fill out a subsidy request form and submit it to Natalie Mehra at ohc@sympatico.ca for approval. Note: we will subsidize amounts up to the block rate for a hotel room and gas (not mileage) or train/plane.

Registration Form

Number of people attending:

_____ on Saturday _____ on Sunday

Name of key contact:

Additional names of attendees:

Organization if applicable:

Address:

City/Town:

Postal code:

Email:

Tel (day):

(night):

(cell):

Fees: (sliding scale)

Saturday: \$0-100 per person (sliding scale)

Amount paid: x number of people = subtotal \$

Note: The cost of hotels has risen in Toronto. We ask that organizations that are able to, please pay the full amount so we can subsidize the cost of individuals and community groups. That's how the Ontario Health Coalition works.

Sunday: \$0-50 per person (sliding scale)

Amount paid: x number of people = subtotal \$

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Total: \$

Please mark an X to select your payment method:

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Mail or email to: Ontario Health Coalition 15 Gervais Drive, Suite 201, Toronto Ontario MC3 1Y8 tel: 416-441-2502

email: ohc@sympatico.ca If emailing, please use subject line: Assembly registration.

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