

Ontario Home Care Association recognizes Caplan's efforts to support care at home

October 7, 2009 – The Board of Directors of the Ontario Home Care Association extends thanks and appreciation to the Honourable David Caplan for his efforts during his tenure as Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. “The OHCA has always been impressed by the Minister’s commitment to home and community care,” said Mike Pohanka, OHCA Board President. “Minister Caplan was a strong advocate for the home and community sector recognizing that Ontarians want to remain independent at home for as long as safely possible”, commented Pohanka.

“Over the past year Minister Caplan shepherded significant improvements to strengthen home care in Ontario. The legislative changes effective last month will help to realize a vision for a system of health care that is grounded in quality and designed to support people to age at home,” said Sue VanderBent, OHCA Executive Director. “OHCA believes that this comprehensive strategy will stand the test of time,” she added.

OHCA will continue to work with the Ontario government to facilitate the development of policy that will achieve a robust home and community care system that can make a significant difference in supporting the independence of individuals of all ages in their everyday lives.

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About OHCA

The OHCA, *the voice of home care in Ontario*, is a membership association representing providers of quality home care services from across Ontario. OHCA is dedicated to promoting the growth and development of the home and community health care sector by helping to shape health care policy, supporting members to excel, and being a leading source of information on home and community care. OHCA members are accredited through Accreditation Canada and/or the International Standards Association (ISO).

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