

## **Ontario Home Care Association congratulates MH LHIN on Award**

June 23, 2011 - The Ontario Home Care Association (OHCA) congratulates the Mississauga Halton LHIN on receiving the *3M National Award for Health Care Quality* at the National Conference of Canadian Health Care Leaders, on June 7<sup>th</sup> 2011. The Supports for Daily Living (SDL) program is an important adjunct to an effective home care program and demonstrates vital system wide strategies to keeping seniors safe and independent at home for as long as possible.

“There is no question that seniors want to remain in their own homes and the Mississauga Halton LHIN has worked hard to realize that goal for its residents”, said Sue VanderBent, OHCA Executive Director.

Shifting the focus to the community and organizing care around the individual are key to providing quality health care to Ontarians. A strong community-based system that appropriately utilizes and integrates all members of the team is essential to support good health outcomes. OHCA recognizes and values the important contribution of the interdisciplinary team and will continue to work with all system partners to realize an improved health system for Ontarians.

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### **About the 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 members represent an estimated 25,000 staff collectively serving 300,000 Ontarians per year. OHCA works with families as integral partners in the delivery of home care services and as such estimates that 1.2 million Ontarians are impacted by members. 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, CARF, and/or registered with the International Standards Association (ISO).

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