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## PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

A person with a disability requires support for day-to-day life and access to services.

Disabilities can include visual, hearing, physical, speech or language, mental health, learning, intellectual or developmental and environmental sensitivities.

For more information and to learn about the rights of people with disabilities under Ontario's Human Rights Code at the Ontario Human Rights Commission: [www.ohrc.on.ca](http://www.ohrc.on.ca) or [findlink.at/accssibact](http://findlink.at/accssibact).

### ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS

The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA), sets standards to ensure that people with disabilities can participate fully in Ontario society. All businesses and organizations in Ontario must meet Accessibility Standards in the areas of customer service, employment, information and communications, transportation and public spaces.

- Learn about the AODA and Accessibility Standards at [www.ontario.ca](http://www.ontario.ca) or [findlink.at/accssibact](http://findlink.at/accssibact).

For information about programs and services for people with disabilities, call 211 or visit the Disability Doorway at [www.disabilitydoorway.com](http://www.disabilitydoorway.com).

### ON CAMPUS

All colleges and universities in Ontario must meet the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. This includes making classrooms and other campus facilities accessible, including housing, parking and restrooms. Every school also has an office dedicated to supporting students with disabilities. In addition to ensuring that the campus is accessible to everyone, colleges and

universities in Ontario make the necessary accommodations to address the functional limitations of their students with disabilities, without discrimination or privilege.

### COMMUNITY CARE

The Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) coordinates services for people with disabilities to help them live independently in their communities. CCAC staff provides support and information on health care, day programs, supportive housing and long term care facilities.

For more information, visit [www.health.gov.on.ca](http://www.health.gov.on.ca) or [findlink.at/ccac](http://findlink.at/ccac).

### GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS

The Ontario Disability Support Program helps permanent residents and citizens with disabilities who are in financial need and/or are looking for a job. Learn more at [www.mcass.gov.on.ca](http://www.mcass.gov.on.ca) or [findlink.at/ont-dsp](http://findlink.at/ont-dsp).

There are also many government programs available to adults and children with disabilities. These programs for permanent residents and Canadian citizens include registered savings accounts, tax credits and other types of financial assistance.

For information about federal disability support programs, visit [www.canadabenefits.gc.ca](http://www.canadabenefits.gc.ca) or [findlink.at/PDisabilts](http://findlink.at/PDisabilts) or [settlement.org](http://settlement.org).

### DID YOU KNOW

One in seven people in Ontario have a disability of some kind

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[www.settlement.org/isc](http://www.settlement.org/isc)