



Ontario Society of Physical Activity
Promoters in Public Health



Who We Are

The Ontario Society of Physical Activity Promoters in Public Health provides a unified voice for all physical activity promoters in health units across Ontario.

Partnerships are created at the municipal, provincial, and federal level with the ultimate purpose of increasing physical activity levels in Ontario.



Vision

We envision a health system that recognizes and values
OSPAPPH members as leaders in public health
physical activity.



Mission

To elevate physical activity as a public health priority in Ontario through engagement, education, advocacy and strategic alliances.



Values

OSPAPPH:

- Values its members' input and will strive to ensure all members participate
- Recognizes the value of working with other health and community groups
- Believes it has a unique role to play in linking the public health sector with physical activity promoters
- Operates in a fiscally prudent and responsible manner
- Is proactive, particularly regarding the role the Society could play and where it fits within the provincial and federal physical activity picture.

Goals – Strategic Plan 2008-2012



- ❑ 100% health unit membership participation in OSPAPPH
- ❑ The capacity for public health physical activity promoters to practice effectively
- ❑ Influential stakeholders seek input from OSPAPPH
- ❑ Decision-makers at all levels of government ensure physical activity is incorporated into regulatory decisions
- ❑ Sufficient funds for public health physical activity programming.



OSPAPPH Timeline

- 2005 - In June, initial discussions begin regarding a provincial group representing physical activity promoters in public health
- 2006 – Business plan created
- 2007 – first OSPAPPH executive elected
 - Creation of by-laws
- 2008 - first executive face-to-face meeting
 - Strategic plan created
 - Creation of website www.ospapph.ca



Timeline Continued

- 2008 - First annual virtual AGM
 - OSPAPPH asked to provide input on various documents related to childhood obesity
 - Strategic partnerships formed with various organizations (i.e. PRO, HSF)
 - OSPAPPH becomes incorporated
 - 2nd Face-to-Face Executive Meeting- creation of work plan to achieve goals and objectives

- 2009 – Scan of Physical Activity Promoters in Ontario Public Health Units to determine capacity and service gaps.

Challenges/Opportunities

- ❑ Time commitment and scheduling
- ❑ Executive turn over
- ❑ Access to in-kind supports
- ❑ Funding
- ❑ Making connections / getting on radars



OSPAPPH Executive

Co-Chair: Michele Crowley – Haldimand-Norfolk

Co-Chair: Alison Bochsler – Hamilton

Vice Chair: Vacant

Secretary: Jennifer Ronan – Hastings & Prince
Edward

Treasurer: Erika Haney – Simcoe Muskoka



OSPAPPH Executive

Regional Reps:

Central East: Lisa Kaldeway – Haliburton Kawartha
Pine Ridge

North West: Elaine Fischer – Northwestern

Eastern Ontario: Chantal Lalonde – Eastern Ontario

North Eastern: Kristy Eagleson - Algoma

South West: Vacant



More Info/ Contact

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