Registrations are now open for DCO's 2015 Fall Conference. Join us September 24 - 25, 2015 at the Holiday Inn Yorkdale for two days of learning and networking! Click for the full conference brochure and registration.

You can also register for the 2015 Spirit of Volunteerism Recognition Dinner as we celebrate our volunteers on Friday, September 25th.

**DCO Fall 2015 Conference**

The DCO's Fall Conference is the third offering in the Making the Pieces Fit series, with a focus on partnership development and new service opportunities. Several interesting speakers will help conference attendees refine their appreciation of what community partnerships are possible as we strive to ensure that individuals with mental health concerns or who are suicidal are kept safe.

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**New Program and Service Recognition Award**

The Board of Directors of DCO has initiated a process of recognition and a new organizational award which highlights the achievement of our member organizations and recognizes their programs and services.

Distress and Crisis Ontario / Détresse et Crise Ontario (DCO) has always been proud of the many significant programs and services that its membership offers their communities. They are as varied as the organizations that provide them, but all are an integral part of psycho-social safety net which keeps individuals at risk or in distress out of harm's way.

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**Fundraising: Conduct Your Research**

Fundraisers know that understanding their donor base is crucial. Research into demographics and psychographics are key to get to know your organization's donor base. During interviews with supporters, consider the following questions and decide what would be the most appropriate in your donor research.
World Suicide Day: WHO Report

Since 2003, the International Association of Suicide Prevention has recognized September 10 as a day of action for suicide prevention. This year’s theme, Preventing Suicide: Reaching Out and Saving Lives, encourages us to consider how offering support may play in combating suicide. It is an initiative of the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and the WHO (World Health Organization), with whom IASP is in official association.

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World Suicide Day: Cycle Around the Globe

The International Association of Suicide Prevention (IASP) is hosting the third annual Cycle Around the Globe for World Suicide Prevention Day event, where individuals and organizations from all across the world cycle (and in some cases walk) to raise suicide prevention awareness. This activity is about the global community spreading awareness of the importance of suicide prevention.

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How to Cure the End-of-Summer Blues

We all know what it feels like: the sinking feeling that sets in when we look at our calendar and see summer's end coming closer. It reminds us of when we were young and the new school year in September loomed around the corner. One day we're basking in the sun, believing the summer will last forever and the next day we're gripped with a sense of dread - summer's almost gone! But we have so much left to do! That panic can literally take our breath away and even lead to the end-of-summer blues.

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DCO Upcoming Events and Schedule of Meetings

DCO 2015 Fall Conference
September 24-25, 2015
Location: Holiday Inn Yorkdale, Toronto
DCO 2015 Annual General Meeting
Friday, September 25 - 5:00 pm
Location: Holiday Inn Yorkdale, Toronto

Spirit of Volunteerism Recognition Dinner
Friday, September 25 - 6:00 pm
Location: Holiday Inn Yorkdale, Toronto

Upcoming Learning Forums Videos
August: First Nations - Cultural Sensitivity
September: Epilepsy Part 1 - Understanding Epilepsy
October: Epilepsy Part 2 - Epilepsy, Its Impact on Family

Board of Directors
September 9
September 25 (AGM)
November 11

Education Committee
August 27
October 22
November 26

Finance Committee
September 8
November 9

ONTX Steering Committee
August 25
September 9

News from our Member Centres

Telecare Cambridge will hold a candlelight vigil on September 10 to honour International Suicide Prevention Day.

Please email us to share your centre's news and upcoming events in e-News & Views.