September 2018

Introducing DCO's 2018 Spirit of Volunteerism Nominees, Part 2

DCO greatly values every one of its volunteers and each year, volunteers are recognized for donating their helping, selfless time and energy to help fellow Ontarians in crisis. Last month, we recognized the first group of nominees for the 2018 Spirit of Volunteerism Recognition. This month, please meet the second group of outstanding nominees for our annual recognition.

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Grief in The Age of Medical Assistance on Dying: Understanding Risk, Support, and Lived Experience

Distress and Crisis Ontario is very pleased to provide support as a Knowledge-user Collaborator to an application to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research submitted by lead researchers, Susan Cadell, from the School of Social Work, Renison University College at the University of Waterloo, and David Kenneth Wright, from the School of Nursing, University of Ottawa.

Read more...

Recreational Cannabis in the Workplace: Definitions, Uses, and Effects; Health

In less than three weeks, recreational cannabis will be legal in Canada. In last month's e-News + Views, we published the first in our three-part series around recreational cannabis in the workplace and how the legislation will affect employers. This month, we examine what cannabis is, its uses and effects, and how it is related to health, taking information from both the Addictions and Mental Health Ontario (AMHO)’s briefing notes on cannabis legislation, and Yosie Saint-Cyr LL.B.’s article, Recreational marijuana in the workplace.

Read more...
2018 Report on Alcohol, Health, and Social Burdens

The World Health Organization (WHO) has released its report on global alcohol, health, and the burden of alcoholism this month. The report confirms that worldwide in 2016, more than three million deaths were linked to harmful drinking, and more than 75 percent of these deaths were among men.

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Follow-up with Callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: Evaluation of Callers’ Perceptions of Care

In their article about the effects of clinical follow-up care to suicidal hotline callers, Madelyn S. Gould et al, evaluated a national U.S. initiative to have crisis centers in the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network provide follow-up care to suicidal callers. Reporting on their study of over 500 callers who were contacted by 41 crisis counsellors from six centres in the United States, Gould’s team reveal the positive measures and outcomes of their study.

Read more...

DCO 2018 Upcoming Events and Schedule of Meetings

Board of Directors Meetings
Tuesday, October 2
Wednesday, November 21
Wednesday, January 23, 2019
Thursday, April 26, 2019
Thursday, June 13, 2019

Education Committee Meetings
Thursday, October 25

Finance Committee Meetings
Wednesday, October 17
Friday, December 14

ONTX Steering Committee
Tuesday, October 9

DCO Networking Days
January 24 - 25, 2019
Location TBA