



Community Advocacy & Legal Centre

PRESS RELEASE

Local Legal Clinic Concerned about Disability Rights

Belleville / Nov 13, 2012 - The local legal clinic is concerned with emerging disability rights issues.

“People with disabilities need more information about their rights. As a service provider, we are also concerned that we are doing everything to make sure our services are ‘user-friendly’ for people with disabilities,” states Michele Leering, Executive Director of the Community Advocacy & Legal Centre.

What impact will cutbacks in special funding programs have on people with disabilities? With the advent of the new AODA regulations, how can services be improved to make them more accessible to people with disabilities? These are just some of the questions that will be answered at the workshop notes Michele Leering.

The legal clinic is partnering with lawyers from ARCH Disability Law Centre to put on this event. ARCH staff lawyer and presenter, Laurie Letheren, noted that “ARCH is looking forward to this important community event. We hope that those in attendance will leave with greater understanding of the legal rights of people with disabilities and the means they have available to them to assert those rights.”

This *Legal Awareness Workshop on Emerging Disability Rights Issues* will be held at Quinte Gardens, 30 College St. W., Belleville on November 23, 2012. The event begins at 9:00 am and runs until 1:00 pm, including lunch.

The Community Advocacy & Legal Centre is a non-profit community legal clinic principally funded by Legal Aid Ontario. The clinic was founded in 1980 and provides poverty law services to low income residents of Hastings, Prince Edward & Addington counties. The clinic’s main office is in Belleville, with satellite locations in Trenton, Picton, Napanee, Amherstview, Bancroft and Madoc. For more information, visit CALC’s website at www.communitylegalcentre.ca.

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