



CAH MANAGEMENT PRESS RELEASE

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PRESS RELEASE FROM THE MANAGEMENT OF CAH

Hello to all of you,
and have a good summer,

We are very proud to finally present our summer program. Yes, our summer program! It is a privilege, after having come such a long and perilous way, to be able to meet again, face to face, to launch our summer recovery phase.

Most of us are now fully vaccinated and so we feel comfortable to start getting together again to enjoy the good weather and our traditional activities at this time of year.

Of course, we must continue to be cautious. For all of you who have not yet had the opportunity to be vaccinated, I encourage you to contact our support team if you need help navigating the system. Only a fully vaccinated community will allow us to create a safe space to gather and

enjoy each other's company. Please get vaccinated, for your peace of mind...and ours!

Together we can pick up where the pandemic left off, towards a COVID 19 free environment. Together, we will have the opportunity to plan and design how to optimize our aging and active living program to better meet everyone's needs.

We are all tired of connecting virtually and I know that with the nice weather and the return of activities, many are already considering putting away tablets and electronics for the season. We totally understand that! But it would be a shame to lose the skills and tricks we've learned so far. Better to keep practicing during the summer!

The reasons to connect and interact virtually will now multiply. We are looking forward to offering a hybrid (in-person and online) program in the fall and will also offer more opportunities for everyone to practice your computer skills and identify what works for you and what you are passionate about.

Here at CAH, our team, which has worked tirelessly to keep everyone safe and comfortable, will now take a well-deserved break. Everyone will have the opportunity to take a few days off to rest and recharge. I would like to take this opportunity to highlight a few changes that our organization has undergone and others that are in progress.

Michelle, our cook, has left our team to focus on her personal project as an entrepreneur. We will certainly miss her and wish her luck and success in the future.

Ella, our case manager, has also left the team to take advantage of a job opportunity closer to home. Ella will continue to support francophones in

cognitive decline in Durham Region but will do so with the Alzheimer Society team. A new case manager has been identified and will join the team after the summer. In addition, on July 12, we will be pleased to welcome Andrée Paulin, the new Assistant Executive Director.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in September, and will most likely be virtual once again. In the meantime, now is the time to ensure that your CAH membership is up to date and that you are able to engage in the work of the CAH. you are able to engage in governance by voting.

In September, we will also launch an engagement program for members, clients, caregivers and staff to take a moment together to critically reflect on the events of the past year and how we want the post-pandemic recovery phase to unfold.

We will review our strategic goals and priorities to ensure that they are still relevant and that there are no new opportunities to pursue. We will review our plans for expanding the supply of serviced affordable housing and share updates on our programs.

Most importantly, we will need everyone's input and feedback to give us the elements and direction to build our future. Together, we will identify ways to combat ageism as well as all forms of discrimination, abuse, and racism, and ensure that we are clearly positioned as an inclusive and truly age-friendly service provider.

Engagement and connection with our community are key elements of our vision and strategic roadmap. We hope that everyone will respond and engage enthusiastically in shaping the future of the AHC and French language support services for seniors in the Greater Toronto Area.



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