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Hello,

I am writing today to tell you about a training program we have been providing to people supported by the agency, as required by the Ministry.

Since July, every individual supported by CLGW will be participating/ has participated in a workshop called ***Abuse Prevention, Recognition and Reporting***. The workshop materials were prepared by a group of educators, clinicians, health care and development services workers in Kitchener – Waterloo and meet all the requirements set out by the Quality Assurance Measures Regulations of the *Services and Supports to Promote the Social Inclusion of Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act, 2008*. (a Plain Language Guide to the Regulations can be found on our web site under the “Quality” tab). Topics that will be covered in the workshops include: rights and responsibilities; recognizing feelings; private and public behaviour; what is abuse/what is not abuse; how to prevent/tell about abuse; personal safety, etc.

If you are interested in obtaining more information regarding the training, you may contact any of the Training Leaders: Jason Sheffied, Christine Dunlop, Darlene Holton, Janette Andersen or Erin McConnell (call the admin. office 519-824-2480 and they return your call).

In addition to providing this training to the people supported, the Quality Assurance Measures Regulations outline for agencies their responsibility and obligation to report all suspected/alleged and/or witnessed abuse to the Police immediately. CLGW cannot conduct their own investigation until the Police Investigation has concluded.

If you are unable to access the Plain Language Guide on the CLGW Website, you can ask at any Program for a copy.

Sincerely,



Bob Butella



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