

All Kids Belong Updates for Child Care Advisory Committee October 2019

All Kids Belong (AKB) is on track to meet or exceed all of our targets for this year. This includes providing special needs resourcing services to over 600 children. This is a reflection of our community's commitment to the inclusion of children with special needs, and we value our partnership with child care programs in making this happen.

AKB is about to launch its third and final outcomes-based surveys. These surveys were designed to help us to better understand the impact of the three main components of the All Kids Belong program (Resource Consultation, Knowledge Exchange, and Program Assistant supports.) We gathered some great information in our first two surveys and anticipate strong response to the third. These results will inform our 2020 service plan.

All Kids Belong is pleased to be working with the City of London to administer one-time funds that are the result of the final allocation of Fee Stabilization Support Funding from the Province of Ontario, Ministry of Education. We are distributing this one-time funding to centres who have utilized Program Assistant hours in 2019, or those who wish to utilize Program Assistant Hours in 2019. This funding will be used to increase the All Kids Belong rate for Program Assistant funding to \$14 for the 2019 calendar year. It will also be distributed to centres to enable them to provide additional Program Assistant hours in the remainder of 2019. We are very pleased to administer this funding which is made possible by the Province of Ontario, Ministry of Education. Their support, and the support we receive from The City of London and County of Middlesex, is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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