

Developmental Services Transformation:  
**The New Intake Process at Contact Brant  
for Adult Developmental Services -  
ADSS and SIS**

- **New legislation:** The Services and Supports to Promote the Social inclusion of Persons with Developmental Disabilities is replacing the Developmental Services Act. This includes **a new Provincial process for intake for adult developmental services**
- In the past communities developed their own processes and documents for applying for and accessing Ministry funded services and supports. This resulted in practices that varied from one part of the province to another creating the potential for inequity and perceived unfairness
- The **Application for Developmental Services and Supports (ADSS)** is a common provincial application package which consistently and reliably gathers information and decreases these potential inequities. The ADSS was designed to respect and reflect the uniqueness and diversity of individuals, promote equity and fairness, promote person directed planning and portability of information
- Combined with the ADSS is the provincial tool, the **Supports Intensity Scale (SIS)**. The SIS is a standardized needs assessment, designed by The American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, that focuses on the patterns and intensity of supports needed to enable an adult with a developmental delay to successfully and fully participate in the community
- Completion of these two tools will take two meetings of about three hours each. Interviews will involve the individual, their parents and or family ( if available) and at least one other person (e.g., a staff from a service agency, teacher, friend) who knows the individual well enough to be a reliable reporter in terms of care and support needs. The interview format is designed to promote consensus with regards to actual support needs as opposed to listing deficits

Contact Brant is pleased to continue to assist individuals and families to access developmental services as well as other community supports

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