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Judy Reid President Ontario Agencies Supporting Individuals with Special Needs C/O 339 Centre Street, Box 1210 Petrolia, Ontario NON 1R0

Dear Ms. Reid,

I am writing to provide you with an update in regard to the Expression of Interest Application process to deliver province-wide training to service agencies that provide services to adults with developmental disabilities on quality assurance measures set out in Ontario Regulation 299/10 made under the *Services and Supports to Promote the Social Inclusion of Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act, 2008.*

Following a comprehensive review process, I am pleased to announce that the ministry has selected VITA (Community Living Services and Mens Sana Families for Mental Health) to develop, oversee and deliver province-wide training with respect to Quality Assurance Measures.

The Legislation and Regulation can be accessed at <u>www.e-laws.gov.on.ca</u>.

Details regarding province-wide training on Ontario Regulation 299/10 regarding Quality Assurance Measures requirements will be available shortly.

As of January 1st 2011, ministry-funded developmental service agencies must comply with the QAM requirements and policy directives that support the Regulation. The Regulation also requires that ministry-funded developmental service agencies that contract with third parties (such as Outside Paid Resources) ensure third parties comply with the Regulation by January 1, 2011.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Nancy Lytle Director